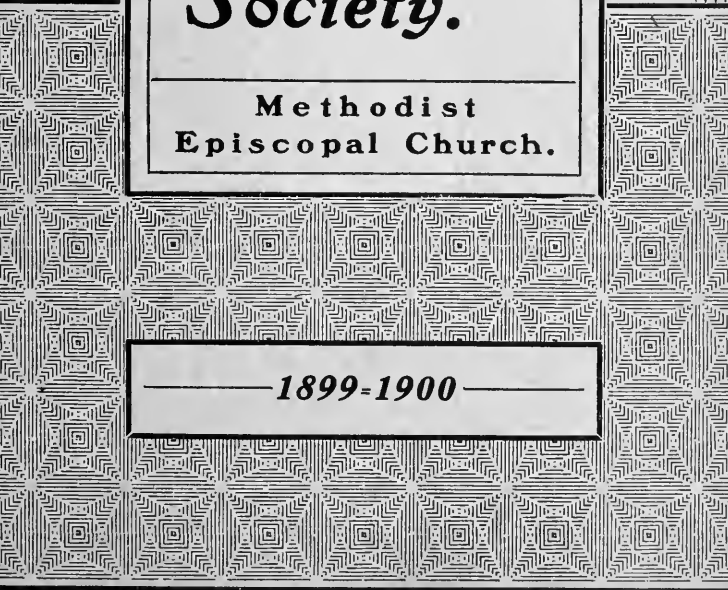


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OF THE

General Executive Committee.

For the fifth time in the history of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society the General Executive Committee met in the territory of the New England Branch. The city of Worcester, beautiful for situation, gave delegates, missionaries and visitors most cordial welcome. The Conference and District Secretaries of the Branch also received an invitation, and many of them were present.

The Committee convened on Wednesday morning, October 24th, and was called to order by the President, Mrs. C. D. Foss. The sessions were held in Trinity Church which is under the pastoral care of Rev. G. W. King and was convenient in all its appointments.

The church was decorated with banners of all the nations within the bounds of which the Society labors. A large flag with the word "Welcome," was extended across the entire front of the organ, and its generous size fitly represented the warm reception given to the delegates by the members of the church. All the Corresponding Secretaries of the Branches were present. It seemed eminently fitting that Mrs. Dr. Butler, identified so many years with missionary beginnings in India and Mexico, and one of the founders of the Society, should extend words of greeting to the Committee. Besides Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Kingsbury and Mrs. Merrill who also were among the organizers of the Society were in attendance.

The reports presented showed great advance on all lines. There was an increase of auxiliaries and members, in subscriptions to all periodicals, and the largest amount of money came into the treasury of any year in the Society's history. All these facts called forth devout thanksgiving. Never was there present such a large force of missionaries. The Society's representatives and those of the General Missionary Society numbered fifty-seven. Intense interest was manifested in those who had just returned from the disturbed district in North China, and great and sincere gratitude was expressed that the lives of all had been preserved. The arrival

of Dr. Edna G. Terry, whom for a time we had mourned as dead, was the occasion of a great outburst of praise, the audience twice singing the doxology with full hearts. Miss Miranda Croucher, who was one of that heroic party that left Peking on that last train for Tientsin, and afterward endured the long siege of that city, was also present, and though much worn was able to tell some of her experiences. The presence of Miss Josephine Stahl, of Darjeeling, vividly recalled the tragedy of September, 1899, when, in the awful landslide, four children of her school in the same room with her were crushed or smothered by the debris, and her own life saved only by a miracle. Later the committee voted to assume the support of the work carried on by Mrs. Ada Lee, whose six lovely children met death in that same awful night. Every heart was thrilled as they recounted their experiences. The mornings as usual were filled with business, the afternoons with devotional services, and talks on practical themes by the missionaries, while the evenings were devoted to more popular phases of the work.

On the opening day, in the afternoon, a very impressive Communion Service was held, and as the secretaries, delegates, missionaries and converts from Japan, China and India knelt side by side, all realized the oneness of our faith and hope. The ministers of the city were in attendance daily and manifested great interest in all the deliberations. The Sabbath was a day of rare privilege. Bishop Hartzell preached the Anniversary Sermon in the morning at Trinity Church. In the afternoon a great children's missionary rally was held, and in the evening the Anniversary proper. In all the Methodist churches of the city and surrounding towns, the missionaries represented the work of the Society. A delightful reception was tendered by the Worcester ladies one evening at Grace Church. Music and refreshments were served, and reminiscences indulged in of the early days. In the arrangements nothing was omitted that could add to the comfort of the convention. The post-office in the church, the ever-present news-boys with papers containing excellent reports of the daily sessions, the convenient committee rooms, the rest room, and most of all the abounding kindness and hospitality of the ladies in charge, all combined to make every guest feel at home and happy. Among the interesting incidents of the convention was the missionary exhibit in a neighboring building, consisting largely of articles presented to Miss Grace Stephens on her departure from Madras for a visit to America. These were in great variety, ranging from tiny articles whose only value was in the loving thought, to beautiful embroideries in gold and silver, and massive pieces of wrought silver of great intrinsic worth. There were also scores of idols, formerly worshiped, but given to Miss Stephens when their owners became Christians. Nearly all these articles were

offered for sale. The meeting closed on Wednesday, October 31. The Committee will meet in Philadelphia in 1901.

The Committee received and accepted an invitation to attend a reception, November 1st, in the Tremont St. Church, Boston, where the Society was organized. It was a delightful occasion, and will linger in the memory of all present. The little room where the Society was prayed into existence, with the tablet on the wall, and the beautiful memorial window in the church, were objects of absorbing interest to all present. The appropriations for the coming year, including the thank-offering fund, amount to \$445,394.

For all reports of Home and Foreign Work, money raised and minutes of the meeting, read this Report.

Report of Foreign Work.

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Less than forty years ago the part of the territory now included within the bounds of the North India Conference was considered large enough to require the concentrated effort of the Methodist Episcopal Church of America for its evangelization. Now five great divisions are mapped out and regularly organized. Eight large districts compose the North India Conference. Two of these lie in the northern part of the Conference, a rich mountain field for missionary effort, extending from the borders of Nepal on the east, to the head waters of the Ganges on the west.

GARHWAL DISTRICT lies in the mountains between Tibet and the plains, and contains the sources of the Jumna and Ganges rivers. There are three-quarters of a million people in this district, seven large circuits and two sub-circuits are under regular supervision, seventy-eight villages and seven hundred houses are receiving regular instruction. The Girls' Orphanage and Boarding School at Paori has passed through sore trials, but when cholera came near, and when the way seemed opened for its entrance to the Orphanage, the promise given "It shall not come nigh thee" was verified. There are 64 orphans and 24 boarders in the school, and Miss Kyle is training them in self-help in all possible lines. The return of Mrs. Gill was a welcome reinforcement to this needy field, and the district and village work show the result of her added effort to advance all lines of work.

KUMAON DISTRICT. A great variety of mission work is done within the bounds of this district. From the far-away station of Dr. Sheldon on the borders of the Tibet, to the Wellesley School at Naini Tal there has been organized effort on all lines. Dr. Sheldon and Miss Browne with the assistance of three evangelistic teachers and six Bible-women have, as Dr. Sheldon expresses it "touched the outer fringe of Tibet" and find a slight sprinkling of Nepalese, Lohars, and Tibetans in the Christian community. Medical work has been carried on itinerating as well as when at home. The highest point where mission work is carried on is at Bidang, 15,000 feet high. Self-support is growing and from 1900 the Bible-women will ask no support from the Society. Dr. Sheldon pleads for prayer for Bhot, in a way that should touch the praying army in the home land. She writes: "Both my parents have been called Home, and sometimes my heart cries out 'who is there now who daily takes hold of the Lord for Bhot.' Oh! that the burden of intercessory prayer for this corner might fall upon some Christian hearts." Miss Reed, at Pithoragarh is still in her divinely appointed work, with much to try her faith, and much to rejoice her heart. She is ours still to pray for and hold in our loving sympathy, though her support comes through another source. Mrs. Rockey has charge of the Elizabeth Snyder Boarding School at Dwarahat, and records a good year, and also in the village and circuit work where three assistants and ten Bible-women are employed.

Miss Budden in charge at Pithoragarh has the help of two assistants and eight Bible-women. She has seventy-six boarding pupils, three evangelistic schools and two day schools in which 500 pupils are taught. In training women for self support, and preparing Christian teachers and Bible-women, the year's work is full of encouragement.

Naini Tal Hindustani work is under the care of Miss Sullivan, one

assistant and eight Bible-women. Mrs. Knowles reports few changes in the District work. Five Bible-women and teachers are employed.

The twentieth year of Wellesley School, like all its predecessors, brought its lessons, its trials and its triumphs. Miss Seller's absence was patiently borne, because her return was assured. An attendance of one hundred and twenty-six pupils with such a fine grade of scholarship that the Government grant amounts to \$1,500 per annum. So this school is self-supporting, paying for all improvements, teachers' salaries, and yearly adding to the value of the property as well as furnishing young women a training that will make the world better. Miss Easton has bought for the Society and use of the school, a house of six rooms and four acres of land planted in fruit trees. The place supplies the school with fruit and vegetables, and furnishes a home in vacation for teachers or for girls staying over vacation time.

MORADABAD DISTRICT.—This district is composed of fourteen large circuits in which seventy Bible-women are engaged in religious work, besides a large number of teachers. Bijnour Girls' Boarding School has had trials sufficient to dampen the ardor of even a brave worker. It needs a superintendent that can give all her time to this work, and it is in a very needy field. Moradabad Girls' Boarding School prospers under the superintendence of Miss Alice Means. One hundred and twenty girls were enrolled, and their progress in study as well as Christian character has been very marked; two thousand girls are gathered in the Sunday Schools scattered over the district. Miss Mary Means has charge of the Evangelistic work on this district, of which she says: "We have in Moradabad a Christian community of 8,500 souls, whose homes are scattered through one thousand villages. Our methods are simple. Pitching our tents in some central location, we visit the villages within a radius of ten miles, under the direction of the native preacher, then moving to another center, reach a new circle of people. Before leaving camp each day we have a Bible class for the Christian workers, and a devotional service in the evening. We need wisdom, patience and love. Pray for us that we may be like Him who came to seek they that were lost."

SAMBHAL DISTRICT is composed of thirteen circuits, each in charge of a native pastor, while his wife, assisted by several Bible-women carry on the work among the women and children; 418 villages have a Christian center from which radiates light into darkness of heathenism. Nearly 4,000 baptized women and girls are found in this district, and 1,800 zenanas have been visited and the story of peace left as a lesson of truth.

PILIBHIT is another district where work is carried on by native workers entirely. Fourteen large circuits are comprised in the boundaries of this district. The native superintendent reports :

There are in the District forty-six Bible-readers, thirty-one teachers, and several women who work voluntarily, receiving no compensation for their labors.

There is work in eighty-eight muhallahs, in eight hundred and fifty-seven zenanas, and in two hundred and forty-five villages. There are twenty-nine schools in which three hundred and eighteen girls are being taught. Four hundred and seventy-eight Christian women regularly receive instruction. Of these, some are full members in the Church, but most are probationers. These are mostly very poor women. In some circuits there is work among Hindu and Mohammedan women, and in others the work is all for Christian women.

BAREILLY DISTRICT.—This is the largest District in the North India Conference. It contains nineteen large circuits, besides the city and village work in Budaon, Bareilly and Shahjahanpore. Sixty Bible-women and thirty-one Evangelistic teachers are employed in the work, besides the teachers in the Orphanage and Boarding Schools. The Girls' Orphanage seems likely to be kept full to overflowing, with famine adding to poverty. Many homeless children have come, and will come to this blessed home, where over 300 have been cared for in the past year. Miss Loper, who was appointed to the Orphanage in Miss English's absence on home leave, was transferred to Sitapur, and Mrs. Dr. Wilson placed in charge. A good year is reported. All the church organizations, leagues, classes, Sunday Schools and prayer services are fostered, and the foundation of active Christian lives permanently laid. The *Women's* School in connection with the Theological Seminary has prospered under Mrs. Scott's care. The Kindergarten has been most successfully carried on. Miss Wilson and Miss Ingram, (missionaries) have the city and village work, and report progress in various directions.

The medical work under Dr. Dease shows a large work done in Hospitals and Dispensary ; 17,000 treatments reported. Every grade of society is represented in the daily clinics, the wives of leading men taking their place with the despised sweepers.

BUDAON—The Sigler Boarding School under Miss Curts has increased in numbers and efficiency, and the city and village work under Mrs. Hewes is a growing one.

SHAHJAHANPORE, EAST AND WEST, including city and circuit work fills a prominent place in the work of the Conference. The Bidwell Memorial School in the city, was fortunate in having the care of

Mrs. Parker for several years and showed the result of systematic oversight. Miss Organ has charge of the Boarding School and finds in the care of one hundred and thirty girls a wide field that will well repay the work done in it. Self-denial in order to give, has been most willingly practiced, while advancement in study and obedient observance of all requirements show a spirit of obedient helpfulness that is very praiseworthy.

LOUDH DISTRICT. Miss Thoburn in charge. Beginning with the Woman's College, though the principal was absent all of the year, and Miss Singh the greater part of it, yet through the kindness of Reverends Robinson and Thoburn the classes were carried through the year. Miss Nichols returned to the school with many new plans which were put in execution and proved of much value. Literary contests, elocution and other things outside the curriculum added to the interest and development of the students. A course of lectures by eminent speakers also proved instructive as well as entertaining. The second meeting of the Teachers Institute was very successful, and it was determined to make it a permanent organization. In college seventeen students are numbered, in the high school one hundred and sixty-six. The record in deportment as well as scholarship has been very high, and earnest gratitude is expressed by Miss Nichols, on whom the heaviest burdens fell.

The Home for Homeless Women, has filled another year with blessed work to those who were appointed for that service. Miss Fuller has been transferred to the South India Conference and another will take her place as Superintendent. The English and Hindustani work in Lucknow has had a good year. The city schools and district and circuit work have been prosecuted with much success.

The Sitapur Boarding school registered eighty-six pupils during the year. When Miss Easton left on health leave, Miss Loper was transferred from Bareilly to this place, and seems well fitted for her responsible duties. Eight Bible women are employed in the zenanas and general mission work, and many souls have been brought to Christ through their efforts. Village work, temperance work and medical work have each been a door of entrance to the blessing of gospel light. There are ten large circuits, each with a network of surrounding stations where fifty-eight Bible-women are regularly employed and we know "His word will not return unto him void."

The Boarding School at Hardui has had a prosperous year. It is now comfortably housed and able to fulfill its mission to the girls and women in this needy field. The enrollment has reached sixty-five.

GONDARH DISTRICT. Miss Scott in charge. With the exception of the Gondarh Boarding School, all the work of the District is on evangelistic lines. The Boarding School in spite of falling walls, and many inconveniences has had a good year, judging by the standard of the girls sent up for Government examinations. There is an improvement in discipline, a decided advance in the moral sense shown in more patient study and more truthful lives.

There are ten large circuits in Gondarh District and over one thousand houses have been visited by the Bible-women, and a large number of baptisms have taken place. There are thirty-one Sunday Schools and 1,120 pupils in this District. Miss Hoge in charge of evangelistic work, with her staff of Bible-women, has done what she could in visiting the people in the country places, and found a wonderful field that called for many more workers. To seek the ignorant or the straying ones in our fold is as plainly our duty, as to send the message to the lost. There should be one in every District to give full time to this evangelistic work which is a very pressing need in view of the rapidly increasing native church, and the necessity of building it up into a vigorous life through a membership who know by blessed experience "In whom they have believed" and what that knowledge requires of them.

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*MRS. R. CLANCY,	MRS. J. T. ROBERTSON,	MRS. J. LYON,
	MRS. D. CLANCY.	

*Home on leave.

In this conference twelve missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society are at work, four associate missionaries, and ten wives of missionaries. Work is carried on in the seven presiding elders' districts which cover sixty stations and circuits.

AGRA DISTRICT.—This district comprises the cities Agra, Muttra and Ajmere, with thirteen outlying circuits. In Agra the medical home is in charge of Miss Seymour, where are fourteen girls, all except one belonging to our mission. The girls are kept at work in school and hospital every day and in addition have, in turn, all-night duty caring for the patients.

In Muttra there is a girls' boarding school and a worker's training school. In the latter twenty-three students are enrolled, most of whom have a definite purpose in view, that of teaching the Bible. A number of them have had from six days to several weeks' experience in itinerating with Miss Sullivan and her workers. This practical village work shows that those who have come from the villages are most helpful in teaching their simple, ignorant sisters.

The boarding school numbered seventy-five. The girls have shown a steady growth of Christian character, causing those who care for them to rejoice in the results of their labors.

In Rajputana has been the worst famine in many years. Our missionaries at Ajmere, Misses Marks and Tryon have given themselves unsparingly to the relief of the suffering. They described the conditions as awful. Miss Marks writes : "No pen can exaggerate the suffering. Thousands of homeless, naked and starving ones wander about from village to village in search of work, water and food. The aged, the crippled and the blind are left by the roadside to die. Hundreds of children, forsaken by friends, go about begging and picking up anything they can find to eat. I pray God I may never witness another famine. That awful cry, 'I am dying of hunger,' rings in my ears even when I lie down to rest at night. How they do plead for work ! Men fall at my feet, crying and clutching my dress, begging me to give them work. We are doing our utmost; we realize that this is the opportunity to show the heathen what Christianity means."

August 23d, she again writes: "We are grateful for all the help received for the poor starving creatures about us. The rains have come in earnest and we trust that in three months more this famine will be a thing of the past. By that time some of the crops ought to be ready for harvest. The government has given seed, plows and oxen to the poor farmers who escaped death, There is still great suffering, so many are homeless and naked. In their weak, emaciated condition they succumb from exposure to the rain. It is sad to see them lying or sitting huddled together under a tree to shelter themselves. We continue to take in widows and orphans and have no difficulty in finding homes for those we can not keep permanently. Our kitchens, where for months we have fed several hundred people daily, are kept up and will be so long as there is need for them.

We are now distributing as much clothing as possible. We gave a contract today for six thousand blankets for the poor. The famine people are weaving the cloth, we furnishing the thread and paying them enough for the weaving to buy their food. Fifty Christian families have been kept from starving by giving them work on our premises, and on the new school building. We have rescued three thousand girls and widows, and all have been clothed, doctored, nursed and fed. Our family now numbers seven hundred; the authorities have limited our number in the city and at the same time do not want the children sent out of their own territory, therefore we expect to establish a second orphanage at Phalera, a village six hours by rail from Ajmere, and we will have five hundred girls in the two. The widows' home of about one hundred inmates will also be in Phalera. These widows must be supported until they learn to care for themselves. We hope that many will become earnest Christians and receive the call from above to preach the glad tidings to their own people. It would take a volume to write all the experiences of the year; we have passed through deep waters, but the Lord has gone before and the everlasting arms have upheld."

Mrs. Emma Moore Scott superintends the District work. Sixty-two evangelistic teachers are employed by the special fund provided. There is much to encourage.

ALLAHABAD DISTRICT. Mrs. Clancy oversees the Boarding School in Allahabad, and also the entire work of the District. The school has progressed satisfactorily, the number being largely increased by famine children. The reports from the Bible-readers' work are cheering and show a responsibility for the work in their circuits, which promises well for the future.

ALIGARH DISTRICT. Miss Gallimore writes; "Our itinerary this year has covered all our field once, and seven circuits twice. Everywhere people are glad to hear the gospel, from the lowest caste to the proud Brahmin. As a whole, progress has been made in the district, nearly all of the circuits show steady growth. In the train, in the field, along the wayside, at the well, in the village and muhalla the gospel story is told, and often as we talk our hearts burn within us, for the Master draws near. The best of all is, we perceive a deeper spiritual life in our Bible-readers, a greater love for God's word and a greater desire for self-improvement."

Mrs. Matthews cares for the orphanage of two hundred and fifty girls, thirty-five being in the industrial department. Many of the girls are members of the church and very earnest Christians. The larger girls make all the clothing for the school, which is not a light task.

Mrs. Lawson has secured forty-five acres of land near the mission and established a home for widows rescued from the famine. The aim of this institution is to train these women for Christian work, and those who have not the ability to prepare for such work, will be taught industrial work. Surely God's blessing must rest upon this enterprise, for these women would have starved, had not this home opened to receive them.

CAWNPORE DISTRICT. The six circuits of this district are under Mrs. Hoskins' care, who employs thirty Bible-readers and evangelist teachers. Their reports of house to house visitation among the families of Christians and inquirers, zenana and muhalla visiting, neighborhood prayer-meetings, schools and Sunday schools are of exceeding interest. In every house and every muhalla visited the Bible is read and explained, and hymns sung and taught. The baptized women receive special instruction for from among them it is hoped will come teachers and evangelists.

Mrs. Worthington writes of a year of many blessings in the boarding school, the health of the girls has been remarkably good and more than any other year, they have tried to do what is right. Several were received into full membership in the church and many more joined as probationers.

The high school, at whose head are Misses Lauck and Bobenhouse, is a Christian school, not in name but in fact; every teacher and every girl is professedly Christian. With the lifting of the debt which has been a burden for years, this school would be able to do a work which no other school in the conference can do.

MEERUT DISTRICT. Mrs. Buck looks after the evangelistic work in this district, which covers a territory one hundred and twenty miles long and sixty wide, with work in eight hundred villages. There are nine pastor's wives, forty Bible-women and twenty teachers at work.

Miss Livermore superintends the boarding school and reports: "Over one hundred girls were present at the re-opening of the school in July, the largest attendance recorded. The older girls often go with the Bible-women to the city; this gives them the practical training necessary if they become successful workers. Sometimes they go with me to hold meetings, and the sweet, helpful way in which some of them present simple, Bible truths, surprises me greatly. The girls do all their grinding and sewing, and all their own cooking with the exception of the help of one woman. To increase the missionary collections, they gave up a part of their food for one week. Many are learning to give in other ways."

MUSSOORIE DISTRICT. Of Mussoorie and Rajpore, Mrs. Mansell writes: "The work has steadily increased and improved in quality. Our helpers are gaining the confidence and good will of the women in the zenanas and are making their influence felt among them. The day

schools have done better than usual and have been well attended. The work as a whole is encouraging and we realize there is great cause for thankfulness."

Mrs. Lyon, missionary in Roorkee, reports eight thriving village schools in the centers and ten Bible-readers doing good work. Over two hundred baptisms bring the number of baptized women and girls up to eight hundred.

KASGUNJ DISTRICT. Through this district Miss Sullivan and her band itinerated during the cold season. The work is fairly prosperous, but is in need of more careful supervision, many of the workers being young and inexperienced. Of one native preacher's circuit Miss Sullivan wrote: "He has sixty villages in his care and we have visited more than half of them, and I have this glad testimony to give that in all these villages we have not found the least sign of a remnant of idolatry. I did not think this could be said of any one circuit (for idolatry is as the dye of the cloth, not a thing in the life of these Hindus but is tainted with it and idolatrous superstitions rule every act), so we are greatly cheered and comforted. The secret of this is a spiritually minded man, conscientious and energetic in his work, who has a good share of helpers following his example; to each is allotted eight or ten villages to care for and teach; the wife of each helper is one of our Bible-women and in most instances we have found the women and children of the village where she lives know all that she is able to teach them, but usually because of family cares she can get no farther than her own village.

"My hope is that another year we may visit them again and that before many years we may have our whole conference territory as well systematized and taught.

"More and more we realize that for the present, until we have many more educated girls from the villages, the only hope of teaching the women is by the work of such bands as ours."

MATILDA WATSON, *Official Correspondent.*

SOUTH INDIA CONFERENCE.

*Organized as a Conference 1876.**Re-organized 1886.*

MISSIONARIES.

LOUISE E. BLACKMAR,
 *CATHARINE WOOD,
 ALICE A. EVANS,

GRACE STEPHENS,
 FRANCES I. FISHER,
 I. ERNSBERGER, M. D.

FLORENCE MASKELL,
 DELIA A. FULLER.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. WARD,
 MRS. A. E. COOK,

MRS. SHAW,
 MRS. J. H. GARDEN,

MRS. DESOUZA.

*Home on leave.

Growth is the one word characteristic of each department of work in the South India Conference, and the ever multiplying opportunities to advance are a reminder that the Lord God who changeth not saith, "Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you."

RAIPUR. Miss Blackmar in charge. To Rev. George K. Gilder must be given the honor of opening woman's work in the great Godavery District, of which Raipur is an important center. With funds contributed by friends in India and Europe, a beginning was made by the employment of two native women, who served as Bible-readers and teachers.

So encouraging was this humble beginning and so insistent and persistent the call for more adequate help, that in 1899 an appropriation of \$400 was made by Baltimore Branch, and three additional women employed. But the oversight of a missionary could not longer be dispensed with, and by appointment of Bishop Thoburn, Miss Blackmar was transferred from Sironcha to Raipur. Previous to her transfer, work resulting from the famine induced her to respond to the call from the Famine Relief Committee of Raipur, and she spent the month of July in distributing relief among the parda women in that city. This gave her the advantage of some acquaintance with the women, as well as familiarity with the streets. A number of reasons combined to make Miss Blackmar's transfer most desirable; it would be pioneer work, and for this her previous experience had well qualified her. With the dialects she was familiar, while with Telugu—the dialect used in Sironcha she was not familiar, and the pressure of work left her no time to acquire it.

We have now a home for deserted wives and widows, an orphanage for famine waifs; evangelistic work in zenanas and villages, and day schools. Every letter from Mr. Gilder reports baptisms, many of them from the Satnamis (Followers of the True Name). He says of one service: "It was a touching sight to see each one of the twelve of their own accord break off from the neck the necklet of brown beads with which they had been invested by the priest, as a sign of their religion. Before the rite was administered, they were reminded that it was not too late to resume the necklet, if they feared they could not endure the persecution which was sure to come to them, or for any other reason, they were at liberty to put them on again. As with one voice they replied—'We do not want them, we are followers of Jesus Christ.' Miss Fuller, transferred from Lucknow to Sironcha, finds a work requiring, besides her own time, that of two assistants, besides Bible-women and teachers. More children are coming into the orphanage, and the village work is growing. Yelandu is a coal mining district and at every pit there is a village. Among the thousands of women in this district not more than three hundred are pardah women, but as no helper can use Hindi, their language, no regular instruction is given them. The houses of the poor are too small to admit the missionary, so wherever shade can be found she sits down and relates the story of the cross."

"We tell them," says Mrs. Ward, "of our Saviour and theirs who redeems soul and body, and their poor bodies look as though they need redemption. With the grime of the pit on them, uncombed and almost naked they look as though no man cared for them. It would be discouraging work, did we not know that Jesus loves them and is able to raise them up to sit in heavenly places in Christ Jesus, and to present them spotless before the Father." The little school in Bidar has grown from eight pupils to fifteen, twelve of them Christians.

Women are in training for evangelistic work, which is sorely needed in this circuit.

HYDERABAD. Miss Wood's enforced absence for health added much to Miss Evan's responsibility and care, which she willingly assumed and has cheerfully borne. She says—"Jesus keeps; I know not how."

The work has been so distributed that with the five assistants she has been able to keep it all moving, and signs of the Father's approval are not wanting. A beautiful incident in connection with a Sunday school must find a place here. The heat was intense. The hot stone floor, the parched ground, the red glare of the sun, the burning blast of wind filled with dust and sand were in painful contrast with the cool, refreshing shade, the green pastures, the fragrance of the apple blossoms of the

dear home land. The superintendent was weary ; the lesson was over and the collection was being taken when Phœbe's radiant face attracted attention. She was half standing, so anxious was she to put her treasure in the basket. Somehow in the rubbish she had found two couries, and she wanted to give them both—*her all*. It had never entered into her head, writes Miss Evans, to divide with the Lord and the sweet-meat woman. She had *two to give*, and she was glad, and we could hear again the Lord of the treasury saying—"She hath cast in more than they all."

BANGALORE. At the beginning of the year Mrs. Walker gave up the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, feeling that she could not do justice to it and the Baldwin Girls' Boarding School. Mrs. De Souza was put in charge. Miss Fox says : "We have work in ten villages; in one of them a Canarese school for girls of high caste, whose parents wish them to learn to read and write, but not to be taught from the Bible. The parents would stand near to listen while the lesson was taught. Both parents and children became interested in the Bible stories, and now listen attentively to the gospels and the hymns which the little girls sing. Seventy-five children are taught in Sunday school, and their voices, as they work in the fields, are often heard singing: 'Saviour, like a Shepherd Lead Us.'"

KOLAR. The plague raged as an epidemic in Kolar and surrounding villages at the beginning of the year, and the orphanage did not wholly escape. There was but one case and that resulted in death, but it made necessary the removal of the girls to grass chuppers hastily put up for their use, and the temporary closing of the orphanage. A number of famine girls were received from Gujjerat August 15. Miss Fisher reported one hundred and three. A medical missionary is most urgently needed ; the only one she can summon being never from under the influence of liquor. With the abatement of the plague, school and evangelistic work has been resumed in the villages. Miss Maskell received a hearty welcome upon her return from America, and was glad to take up her work again.

MADRAS. The light from this center continues to stream into homes and hearts of the high caste and the low caste; the rich and the poor. The lost sheep are being found, and by a little stretch of the imagination one hears the rejoicing in heaven oft repeated. Assured that after her arduous labors for fifteen years, and more especially in connection with purchase of ground and erection of eleven buildings thereon, Miss Stephens was greatly in need of rest and change, so a most cordial invitation to visit America was sent her by those most interested in her work. With the approval of Bishop Thoburn she accepted the invitation,

and accompanied by Sooboonagam Ammal and under escort of her brother—lay delegate from Bombay Conference to the General Conference—she reached New York, April 26.

She had said to her fellow-workers that she could not consent to leave her work for even a little time, did she not feel that there was work for her to do here.

As during these months she has gone from Branch to Branch, from city to city, from church to church, did she find service? Did she find that for which she was invited—*Rest*? The work she left she has *not* left. Regular reports have been sent her by her sister, Mrs. Jones, and the young ladies in charge of the several departments, and we have rejoiced together over its continued prosperity.

MRS. E. B. STEVENS, *Official Correspondent.*

BOMBAY CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference, 1892.

Woman's Work Commenced, 1884.

MISSIONARIES.

ELIZABETH M. BENTHEIN,	NETTIE HYDE,	CHARLOTTE J. PORTER,
ANNA E. ELLICKER,	CHRISTINA H. LAWSON.	KATHARINE A. SPEARS
EMMA HODGE, M. D.	ELIZABETH NICHOLS,	HARRIET C. EWERS.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. ELLEN WARNER FOX,	*MRS. W. H. STEPHENS,	MRS. E. S. FREASE,
*MRS. J. M. THOBURN,	MRS. J. O. DENNING,	*MRS. W. BRUEKE.
MRS. S. E. VARDON.	MRS. F. FELT,	MRS. H. BUTTERFIELD.

*Home on furlough.

BOMBAY. Miss Lawson, missionary, writes: The Telegaum Orphanage has been annexed to the Bombay School, and twenty-nine little girls were brought to the latter. This made our number 150, but this was soon decreased by death, as four distinct diseases were epidemic at one time.

A sweet Christian girl, Tara Krishnagee, was among those taken. She died and was buried from her Hindu home, but the services were Christian and she was laid to rest in the Christian cemetery. The Hindu grandmother reproved the brother for his demonstrative grief, telling him that was not Tara in the grave, that she was in Heaven.

We have been wonderfully protected from plague and other epidemics which have been raging in Bombay. We have had only one case of plague, pronounced such, one of small-pox and three of measles among 144 girls.

In January twenty-five girls were converted, four of the naughtiest girls in school being among them. For these we had been specially praying. Others were much quickened in their spiritual life.

We hope to have the whole school undertake the examinations of the Indian Sunday School Union this year. The annual inspection as usual passed off satisfactorily and the sixth Anglo-vernacular standard was added. We added another teacher at the special request of the Inspector and now have seven besides Miss Thoy who teaches the Kindergarten and all the reading classes.

Evangelistic. Miss Nichols, missionary, writes: We visit in 164 zenanas and reach with the gospel nearly 300 women. There are many secret believers in these homes. Some who have died professed an assurance of forgiveness through Christ's death. We work in three languages, Marathi, Gujarati and Hindustani, besides reaching nearly 300 sweepers each week. Our work has been much affected among the Marathi women, who flee from the plague. The Mohammedan houses remain the same, as they believe in fate and flee from nothing. One dear Moghul woman said she wanted her mother to hear about Jesus; and when the mother came and heard, she said, "Yes, it must be true that Jesus is the Son of God and I do believe in him."

Another woman who was growing indifferent to our message was led to inquire more about the things of God, by a great sorrow coming to her, which comes to many of these poor, secluded Mohammedan women. Her husband brought home a new wife, the widow of his lately deceased brother. He being next of kin must take her as his wife, or the family would be disgraced. Poor Chota Bibi was nearly heart-broken. *The women never get used to polygamy.* It always means sorrow and division.

English Work. Mrs. Linzell, missionary and Miss Ewers, deaconess: The number attending the English services are greatly in excess of the actual membership, and systematic visiting has been done by the pastor's wife and Miss Ewers, the deaconess. This in a great city like Bombay requires much toil and time. Miss Ewers has visited the hospitals also. These two ladies jointly superintend the Junior League and they hope soon to organize the women of the church into a regular working Evangelistic Band to visit in the city.

The Deaconess Home is almost finished and more workers are needed.

POONA. Work among women and girls. Mrs. Fox, missionary : As the plague subsided our schools were re-opened. Nearly all the old pupils had died, and two new teachers had to be secured, as two of them had died. Our new school building is completed. This provides accommodation for two schools. There is a movable partition in the middle and this gives us a large audience room for gospel meetings.

The families from which these children come are very poor, and now in these times of scarcity, they are in sore need. We, therefore, opened relief work for women and soon had seventy which filled the girls' school room. Afterwards we removed them to the old, unused building and soon had 112. These women are supplied with sewing which must first be basted. They earn about $3\frac{1}{8}$ cents per day. A Bible-woman remains with them and teaches them Bible truths, songs and also to pray. We are also feeding the young babies which the women bring with them.

BARODA. Educational Work. Miss Spears in charge. The famine has brought us many children. When we thought we had reached the end of possibilities, we were providentially able to rent the adjoining bungalow. By throwing the two compounds into one, as the same owner had both properties, we secured accommodations for four hundred girls.

The record for the year has been one of broken school sessions, sickness, suffering and death. Six girls died of pneumonia. An epidemic of measles, one case of small-pox and finally cholera has invaded our home besides the many diseases of the famine children. Many girls were sent home for four months and we could hold no school sessions. We expect to open again, the middle of August, but no amount of work will make up for lost time. We have practically lost a year in educational work. During the year we have received two hundred and fifty girls. Of these fifty have died.

Medical Work. Miss Hodge, M. D., missionary: Number of patients treated during the year is 5,192, that is the number of treatments. Prescriptions, 5,754; visits 440; in-patients, 175; teeth extracted, 38. The in-patients include small-pox, cholera and measles patients. Dr. Hodge writes: Just after annual Conference I went to Ahmedabad to attend Mrs. Frease, who was very ill. Have been able to do no touring in the villages owing to the constant illness of the famine children in the schools. In November we brought a little Mohammedan baby boy from Bombay. He was an opium-fed child, but has now become strong and well. Many of the little famine children brought in are quite beyond hope. It is pitiful to see them. God has touched many hearts in the home land and it is truly wonderful how supplies have come. Some of the corn from the ship sent from America was distributed to the village Christians.

Several interesting dispensary cases were those of joints rotting away on hands and feet, from applying native medicines. One boy entirely recovered and afterwards worked on the boys' school building. One child had a seed taken from its ear which had been in four months.

In one case over half the jaw-bone had to be removed and eight teeth extracted, the necrosis was so bad. Some light cases of necrosis healed rapidly under treatment.

Miss Newman helped me much with the numberless abscesses and boils and old ulcers. Never have we had to pass through such a time as this year has been.

POONA. Taylor High School for Girls. Miss E. M. Benthien, Miss M. Elliott, missionaries.

The extension of our work in India depends largely on the success of our English work. These English schools are our recruiting stations for workers and helpers. The school at Poona is doing well, but needs very sorely a property of its own. Ten thousand dollars will be duplicated by Government and this will secure a suitable and commodious building. An efficient Kindergarten is also needed from home. The number now enrolled is seventy-one, of these nine are native Christian girls and nineteen are boarders. Some of the pupils are orphans and must be aided. The girls themselves help to raise money for repairs, matting, etc. They sold tickets for a 4th of July concert which brought in \$30, and they collect stamps and even raise vegetables.

Five classes are seated on verandas, which are too hot sometimes and very damp in the rains. The school uses two houses, and a covered walk between is much needed. The dining room and dormitories are overcrowded.

Four societies flourish, "The Kings' Daughters," and "Missionary Society." This consists of twenty girls who want to be missionaries. A "Literary Society" and "Athletic Club."

Work among Hindustani women; Mrs. S. E. Vardon, missionary. Having heard of the difficulties in visiting these secluded women, I was much rejoiced by a visit of workers from a sister mission welcoming me to this work. Thousands of homes can be reached here in Poona and only twenty-five were visited owing to press of other work and lack of workers. In less than a month thirty houses were accessible to me, and if conveyance and Bible-women were available many more could be entered. The work is scarcely touched. May God put it into the hearts of his children to help send the gospel to these shut in women.

IGATPURI. Mrs. H. Butterfield: The work here is chiefly among the Dhers and Mahars who belong to the depressed classes. Sixteen

houses are visited by the Bible-woman, but many neighboring women congregate and in the last six months 730 women have listened to the gospel story, and 881 children have been taught and catechized.

KAMPTEE. Mrs. Clark, missionary; Mrs. Butterfield, assistant: The famine has decimated our school, many children being kept at home to earn something. Small-pox caused the school to be closed for six weeks. Four girls died. A Jewess died lately who was a most attentive listener, and we hope she had a real trust in Jesus.

Three very seclusive homes have lately been opened to us and many come together to listen. Hoping for a few scholarships for 1901, I have taken in two girls. One is from a high caste and the other from the farmer class. One woman from the training class was baptized last month. The help from America is much appreciated in these famine times.

NARSINGHPUR. Mrs. Denning, missionary; Mrs. Craggs, assistant: Our work continues to be mostly among high-caste women, though some of these are very poor.

In these hard times I help some by giving sewing to be done in their homes. Lately a number of new houses have been added, that belong to policemen. These people do not worship idols, but call themselves "Kabeer Punties" or "Those of the True Name." When we declare this name which they ignorantly revere to be that of Jesus, many of the women seem to believe it and to accept him. One young widow we feel sure is a real believer. She teaches her boy and her neighbors, and she says God understands why she cannot take baptism. The support from her brother-in-law in another city would be withdrawn and he could take away her boy also, and she does not want us to support her as her neighbors would say she came to Jesus for money. So we only urge the spiritual baptism.

We have now seven Bible-women and Mrs. Craggs for assistant; 110 houses are regularly visited and more could be, had we the workers. In the zenanas we work amid and against darkness and sorrow, but the light has filtered in and soon these dim homes and lives will be flooded with light.

KHANDWA. Mrs. Felt, missionary: On account of famine, nothing in the way of village work has been possible so far this year. A good beginning has been made in Khandwa City for zenana work. Several of the best native houses have received our Bible-women gladly.

The Christian women accessible have been regularly taught. Three women have been sent to summer school.

Orphanage and Boarding School. Miss Ellicker, missionary.

Since January we have taken in a good many girls, but being mostly the children of our ignorant native Christians they are soon taken out. Even these few months of personal teaching and influence will tell on some lives.

We take in all the famine girls that we can. Stories are circulated about what missionaries do with children they get ; some even believing that we make medicine out of their eyes. This causes great fear and few come willingly. We are however hoping this fear will cease and that we shall get many before long.

The foundations for a new dormitory are already dug and as soon as we get water, shall begin building. The accommodations are very small. The girls eat in the little cook house or under the trees and sleep on the verandas. When the rains come we shall find great difficulty in stowing them away. The girls make lace and thread buttons. Good progress in the classes is made. Marathi has been added and we hope soon to have an English class. Many of the girls are quite young and this we enjoy as we shall have them longer. One of the large girls married a young man from the Narsingpur school. One famine child died this year. We now have fifty-eight.

JUBBULPORE. Girls' Orphanage and Boarding School, Miss Hyde, missionary.

We have had much sickness and some deaths since January.

In February we opened the new school house. There were some suitable exercises and Mrs. Fuller, wife of the Commissioner, declared the building open for school purposes. These commodious quarters and added appliances will greatly increase the efficiency of the school work.

After the annual examinations, our Government grant was nearly doubled. Since January six new boarders and ten orphans have entered the school. Seven have died, four of them weak famine girls, but three from among the older girls.

At the end of April we closed for vacation with 225 on the roll, the largest the school has yet known. On May 6th a class of twelve received baptism. They had been well taught by Miss Mold and showed their earnestness by their prompt answers and happy faces.

Frances, one of the elder girls, was married, May 8th, to a young mission worker in Chindwara. We hope they may be much used of the Lord in that promising field. Miss Mold left in April, and we are looking with longing for reinforcements from the home land.

TELEGAON INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, Miss Porter, missionary.

The property at Telegaon came into the possession of the Society in January, 1900. There are about twenty acres of ground, and a number

of buildings, a dormitory 84 ft. x 18 ft., a school room 52 x 18, a kitchen and a store room and a small building in which the teachers live. Besides these there is the missionaries' bungalow, a counterpart of the school-room but divided into three rooms, two of them bed rooms, and the third a sitting room. A small dining room is made by enlarging one end of the veranda. Telegaon seems the place we have been longing for, where we can teach our girls some self-supporting work.

There are forty-six girls here now, most of them between the ages of twelve and eighteen. Under the supervision of Shakuntula, a young woman from Pundita Ramabai's school, the girls do their own cooking, grinding, washing, etc. Vitobai, also from Ramabai's school, is head mistress of the school, where the girls spend four hours. Abbie, from our Bombay school, is assistant in the school. Sewing is taught and the girls make their own clothing.

They are being taught the nicer kinds of native cookery, and we hope to raise vegetables soon if we have a good monsoon.

Other industries will be added, as helpers and means are forthcoming. "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

BASIM, BERAR. Mrs. Moore, missionary. "What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter." Death and desolation, want and suffering are all about us, and our work has been to minister to and rescue these poor famine sufferers. None of the larger girls taken in have died, but some of the poor babies were too far gone and were soon taken to be forever sheltered in the good Shepherd's arms.

Some of the better class women who would rather die than go to relief works or poor-houses have been saved from starving by having sewing given them to do. Some gathered at the homes of our Bible-women, and while they sewed, they were taught about Jesus, the mighty to save. Hundreds of women here will never speak lightly or bitterly of Him again after the practical love and help received.

GIRLS' ORPHANAGE. In July, 1899, we had thirty-three girls, to-day we have eighty-one. Thirty-six of these are provided for by the Society. The balance we have taken in, looking to the Lord for help. The Epworth League of Poona, since November last has sent Rs. 20. each month. Money in large sums for famine relief has come from "The Christian" London. One little blind girl died with the words on her lips, "Mamma, I am dying." We teach to the 6th Marathi Standard. Out of twenty-six girls, nineteen passed at the last examination, earning a grant of Rs. 140.

Many of the girls belong to the Epworth League and take their turns as leaders. Herabai conducts several daily Bible classes and is very faithful in trying to lead the girls to Jesus.

The girls do all their own work, and some only rescued two and one-half years ago, have rendered efficient help in relief and rescue work in this present famine. A few have abused our trust in them, but on the whole we have had a prosperous year in the Orphanage. We hope soon to have our new dormitory finished. Many are in temporary shelter.

THE NURSERY. All under four years of age are kept in this separate home. Out of twenty-four, ten have died. All but one are famine waifs. Christian widows care for them. They are very happy, singing songs of Jesus, and playing. I take great pleasure in giving them the milk and food preparations sent from England and America.

WIDOWS. Seven are employed among the famine children and nine are on relief works. They are all Christians. Mohammedan widows have made nearly a thousand garments to keep themselves and children from starving.

Five Bible-women work in Basim and surrounding villages. All classes are reached. Doors are open everywhere.

"The harvest truly is great, but the laborers few."

MRS. M. S. HUSTON, *Official Correspondent.*

BENGAL-BURMA CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference, 1886. Re-organized 1893.

Woman's Work Commenced in 1882.

MISSIONARIES.

KATE A. BLAIR,
FANNIE PERKINS,
EMMA L. LAMB,

*JOSEPHINE STAHL,
REBECCA B. DAILEY,
FRANCES CRAIG,
MIRIAM FORSTER.

ANNA SUDERSTROM,
ELIZABETH MAXEY,
EMMA L. KNOWLES,

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. J. E. ROBINSON,
MRS. ADA LEE,
MRS. J. CULSHAW,

MRS. H. JACKSON,
MRS. J. P. MEIK,
MRS. W. F. WARNE,

MRS. W. P. BYERS,
*MRS. J. SMITH,
MRS. HILL.

*Home on leave.

BURMA. Ill health has forced the return to America of Presiding Elder and Mrs. J. Smith. This has added to the burden and responsibility of Miss Perkins, yet on the other hand their zealous efforts on behalf of the Burmese work will work for its permanent good.

Miss Illingworth went to Miss Perkins' aid until some one could be sent from America. Of Miss Illingworth, Miss Perkins writes, "It would not have been possible for me to have had a more efficient, sweeter co-worker than Charlotte has been—she is all we could ask for, and I would be delighted to keep her."

With Miss Rigby and Miss Illingworth at Thandaung, Miss Perkins could have her much needed and long deserved furlough, but the resignation of Miss Turrell who has served Rangoon School without pay creates a necessity for another worker in our girls' school. Our little Burmese School is wearily holding on until a Methodist Episcopal Missionary arrives to make of it a center of evangelical power for Methodism among the long neglected Burmese.

Despite all discouraging conditions the work in Thandaung is prosperous and encouraging. Of twenty-six sent from the school for scripture examination by the India S. S. Union, twenty-two passed. They did well also in their day school examination, earning a grant of Rs. 1400. Two Junior teachers are doing excellent work. Spiritual teaching is given the first place. Their obligation to prepare for Christian service in Burma is kept ever before the pupils. The domestic comforts of the Home have been improved. A portable oven which will bake 100 loaves of bread at once was a welcome gift from the Pacific Branch, brothers and old friends of Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

Bengali Work. Mrs. Lee reports day schools in Calcutta with 350 pupils. Eight Bible-women in the city and two outside are accomplishing much amid great hardships—walking for miles through rice-fields, sleeping on the ground, drinking bad water, doing all this for the love of souls, and without extra pay.

Miss Biswas took Miss Blair's place early in the year. Mrs. Lee says Miss Biswas is a Godsend to us—a second Pundita Ramabai. One hundred are in the Training School and twenty workers have gone out of it with a mental and spiritual equipment above the average native worker. Mrs. Lee has taken in a number of famine people and her dependents now number 150 persons.

BOLPUR. Of Bolpur Mrs. Robinson writes: "There is no other mission in Bolpur, so that ours is a life-saving station in that dark spot."

The work has been well cared for by the missionary and soon his new wife will come to fill a long-felt need and to supplement, not only the work of her husband but to give a fresh impetus to the zenana work which has been carried on with marked success by Rebecca, the Bible-woman. She preaches and sings the songs of Jesus Christ in the homes of officials and high caste women. They buy her books and say they

believe in Christianity but cannot leave their people. Rebecca says : " I have preached christianity in 350 houses in Bolpur and to about 150 in other villages. I have sold books and distributed tracts." The day school numbers thirty-five, but while the missionary is unmarried, the teachers of necessity must be old women who do not know a great deal themselves, but with the advent of the pastor's wife the school will be supplied with teachers from the Bengali schools where the girls have both learning and proper training as teachers. We have fine mission property at Bolpur, with ample ground for all purposes for future years.

CALCUTTA GIRLS' SCHOOL. Miss Samson has had a happy, busy year in full charge of our English School in Calcutta. This school is patronized by the people of all Evangelical denominations and could not be supported by any one of them. The importance of this work demands first class equipments and the present need is a Kindergarten teacher, one who understands her work thoroughly and can work hard in the midst of difficulties and can train her helpers.

PAKUR has had a prosperous year. All the girls can sew and take part in the housework and are making steady progress in their studies. They conduct the evening prayers in turn and many of them take part in the weekly prayer meeting. Four of the girls are beginning to teach. One of these will probably be a good Bible-woman when she is older.

Village Work. A great improvement is seen in the village women. They understand something of the way of salvation and bright smiles of welcome have taken the place of the dull, blank looks they formerly wore. Miss Jacobson and the native Bible-women have accomplished much among these women, and the Orphanage girls who have married and made Christian homes in these villages have added their teaching and influence toward bringing about these results.

The few widows are still in the Orphanage and receive daily instruction. They are busy, useful women, but to make a success of their work they should have their own dwelling.

The Dispensary is doing good work and is a blessing to many. There is a fine field for a W. F. M. S. missionary in Pakur, and the expansion of our work is barred until such a worker is sent there.

The work at the South Villages has an interesting report from Mrs. Flora Widdifield Chew who has had charge of it since January, 1900. The circuit is one vast rice field, 200 miles square, under water, of course. The farmers have raised small spots of ground two or three feet above the water on which from twelve to thirty families live huddled together. These homes must be reached by boat and the children must be brought to school by the same mode of conveyance. The missionary must carry

drinking water as well as her food, for the villagers use one common tank for bathing and family washing. Mrs. C. says that *washing* in it by foreigners has produced nothing worse than a most irritating, though not a fatal skin disease. The kindness of our missionary has so won the confidence of these ignorant people that some of them are willing to send their children to our schools in Calcutta. From these better trained and taught girls we hope for a band of Christian workers who will revolutionize the condition of these villages.

BEY BAGAN. Cholera, small-pox and plague greatly interfered with the school attendance, yet the faithful teachers kept on until May 1st, when vacation time had come. Mrs. Culshaw has had some successful and interesting work among the wealthy women in their homes and despite of many discouragements her work is growing and has much of promise in it. Mrs. Culshaw is represented as a rare woman—a fine worker.

DARJEELING. The girls' School at Darjeeling which was closed so disastrously in Sept. '99, was re-opened on a new site the first of March, 1900. The attendance was small at first and rather discouraging; but as the old terror passes away and confidence returns, the prosperity and growth of the school will inevitably result.

The demand for a broad-minded Protestant school is imperative and all that is needed to make our school self-supporting and a great success, is the proper equipments in the way of teachers and buildings. Catholics and Ritualists are furnished with all things necessary to make their schools popular and successful. A fine site has been selected for our school, away from any fear of land-slides.

Five of the older girls have been converted and show in their changed lives the work of the Holy Spirit in their hearts. Nine little boys are in the school, "dear little fellows." Miss Knowles says: "Two little motherless Scotch boys, aged three and five respectively, never forget to pray for their father and friends."

The older girls hold a little native Sunday school and have raised money for famine relief. The twenty-two boarders in the school include six nationalities, Scotch, English, Eurasian, Australian, American and native Hindoos.

Miss McKinley has proven an invaluable helper to Miss Knowles in re-opening this Darjeeling School.

MRS. C. O'NEAL, *Official Correspondent.*

MALAYSIA CONFERENCE

*Organized as a Mission, 1887.**As a Mission Conference, 1893.*

MISSIONARIES.

SOPHIA A. BLACKMORE,
CLARA MARTIN,
JULIA WISNER,
ANNIE NORTON, M. D.

MAY B. LULLY,
MRS. MARY MEEK,
MARY A. CODY,
IDA ELLIS.

EDITH A. HEMMINGWAY,
R. L. ANDERSON,
MRS. CORNELIA C. MOOTS,

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. EMMA FERRIS SHELLABEAR,
MRS. G. F. PYKETT,

MRS. DR. WEST,
MRS. MORGAN.

MRS. MARY CARR CURTIS,

ASSISTANTS.

MRS. PHOEBE PIERCE,

L. GUNATILIKA

MISS NORRIS.

One year ago we briefly outlined the wondrous possibilities opening up to our Society in the Malay Peninsula, and the newer mission-field in the Philippines, and you listened to Bishop Thoburn's earnest plea for the workers who should enter at once and take possession.

With our hands already filled with work it seemed impossible to heed the call to take up more, but again have we learned that "Man's extremity is God's opportunity." You remember we were told that property worth \$15,000, with a school of thirty-five girls, located at Kuala Lumpur, the capital city of the Malay Peninsula, would be turned over to us, if we would send two missionaries to care for it before the end of the year, otherwise it would be given to the Catholics. Yet we felt we could not take it, and no provision was made for its acceptance before our session closed. Then some of our women laid the matter before the Lord and sent out an appeal through the press to the Methodist people of our land, asking for the missionaries and the money to send them. And the Lord answered speedily. Money came from most unexpected quarters, one check of \$50 from a state that had never before contributed to our cause. Missionaries, just the ones for such a responsible place were sent us, and ere the year closed, one of them, Mrs. Mary Meek, of Brooklyn, was on her way to the field, and Jan. 25th, the other, Miss Anderson, of Michigan, sailed out of the Golden Gate in haste to seize this golden opportunity and gather sheaves for the Master.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. The same steamer bore to their destination a party of four missionaries sent to us almost as unexpectedly to work

for Christ in the Philippines. When Admiral Dewey sailed into Manila harbor he did more than sink the Spanish gunboats, and float the Stars and Stripes on Oriental soil, *he gave religious liberty to those beautiful islands*. For more than a hundred years had the Bible been to them a sealed book, and the brave men who had dared to take the Word of Life thither had met imprisonment and death. But 'tis God's purpose that His truth shall make men free, and He has honored this Society by making us the advance guard in this blessed evangelization, and almost without our will He sent these workers out. Many unexpected, most difficult problems met them upon the very threshold. Satan has long held sway in those islands and he does not readily yield, but our workers have been brave and wise and tactful. Mrs. Moots began work at once among the "boys in blue." Our government sent the canteen, but no chaplains for twenty regiments, and Mrs. Moots has been a ministering angel to soul and body in the camp and field and hospital. Sunday, March 18th, Dr. Warne organized the first M. E. Class in the Philippines, appointing Mrs. Moots as leader. The good this one woman has done and is doing is beyond the power of any earthly estimate.

Dr. Norton sends an excellent report of work. Skilled in medicine, and familiar with the Spanish tongue, she seemed most admirably adapted to work in this field. She is slowly winning her way among the people and has made a beginning in medical work. She needs more of an outfit for such work and asks for a trained nurse-deaconess to assist her. She has also been helpful in Sunday-school work.

Misses Wisner and Cody who went out as teachers have found the native women and girls with their Catholic training, very much afraid of the priests and very difficult to reach. But Protestantism is gaining a foot-hold and our workers have witnessed the dedication of the first Protestant church in the islands, which already has some seventy-five members.

KUALA LUMPUR. Dr. West, Presiding Elder, writes: "The arrival of Mrs. Meek and Miss Anderson confirms us in the possession of as fine a school-property as is to be found in the Straits Settlements, and all without one dollar of cost to the Society. Kuala Lumpur will soon be the most important town on the Malay Peninsula, between Singapore and Bangkok. Property is hard to get even now and this difficulty will increase rapidly. We are now in possession. The buildings, (one handsome school-building and one residence) are up. We are in a position at the start that would have taken years to attain by the ordinary methods. The school, numbering forty-eight, takes in all nationalities, but is largely made up of Tamil and Chinese children. We have a fine new church building, both Tamil and Chinese church organizations, and

are now taking care of our own girls and extending the work of the Lord among the hitherto neglected girls and women."

THAIPENG GIRLS' SCHOOL. One and one-half years ago an opening similar to that at Kuala Lumpur came to us at Thaipeng and as the business required haste Bishop Thoburn sent Mrs. Mary Carr Curtis, wife of one of our missionaries at once to enter it. She has cheerfully taken the burden of this school in addition to all her other work as housekeeper and missionary, but writes now that she comes with her husband to America in April and some one should be sent to carry on this most excellent school. Of it Dr. West writes: "This school under the care of Mrs. Curtis has captured the whole community. There has been an increase in enrollment; almost all being Chinese girls. The government has made out a deed to us for the property in the following terms:

"To hand over the buildings and land to us for the purposes of a girls' boarding and day school for all nationalities. The buildings and land to revert to the Government, should the Mission fail to maintain and carry on the school effectively and satisfactorily. A few other minor conditions are added. But the deed clearly gives us this valuable property worth \$15,000 Mexican, so long as we will use it for just the work we are in the Orient to do." Dr. West further says: "Chinese, Tamil and Eurasian girls are seeking admission as boarders. A Sunday school is carried on and almost every child in the day school attends. The school is opened with religious exercises every morning. We have no parent board missionary there yet; the W. F. M. S. is acting the part of the pioneer and ere long we shall have to organize a church to care for the converts brought to us by this school."

SINGAPORE. In this city of straits we have a Deaconess home and school with seventy girls, a Methodist girls' school with more than a hundred pupils, a kindergarten with eighty-nine enrolled, a large day school among the wealthy Chinese, a large amount of visiting work, and some eleven Sunday schools with only two missionaries to supervise and care for it all.

The wives of the missionaries there have generously given what time could be spared from their busy lives and have thus helped these overburdened workers. And they also write of the relief which Miss Jewell brought to them when the troubles in China sent her temporarily to them.

Miss Lilly has been in charge of the Deaconess home, head of the girls' school and Superintendent of the Evangelistic work, besides caring for several Sunday schools. One sees at a glance that she has had the work of three people. We rejoice to report that Miss Blackmore, now in

Australia, will soon return and with renewed health and vigor, take her place in the Deaconess home. Another worker is asked for and greatly needed in this field. And this need is emphasized by the fact that Miss Gunatilika, the bright Singalese who has carried on the Kindergarten with such success leaves us now to enter a home of her own.

In February, Doctor, now Bishop Warne, dedicated our new school building with room for 250 girls, a fine structure, well-located, admirably adapted to its use, well worth \$4,000, and built largely with money secured by local contributions.

Another evidence of the high esteem in which our work is held by the people is shown by the promptness with which they came to the relief, when by the falling of a tree a portion of our new house for the native girls was demolished, and in three days the sum of \$300 was brought in to rebuild it.

Miss Hemmingway has been in charge of the day school in Teluk Ayer and assisted in the Sunday school work.

The Bible-women have been busy carrying the gospel into the Tamil and Chinese homes and winning souls for Christ.

PENANG. Here Miss Martin has been carrying on a day school with fifty-four girls. A boarding school which has grown to fifteen girls, and with one Eurasian girl as a companion, has lived in this one rented house. Visiting in the homes has been done by Mrs. West and Mrs. Pykett and the Bible-women, directed by them.

In August, Miss Ida Ellis, of GreenCastle, Ind., was sent to the relief of Miss Martin, by the Minneapolis branch. We know a glad welcome awaited her from a very tired worker there. Miss Ellis will be supported for two years by the fund left us for that purpose by a generous Scotch woman traveler, but the need for a new home and school now becomes imperative.

C. S. WINCHELL, *Official Correspondent.*

CHINA.

FOOCHOW CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference, 1877.

Woman's Work Commenced by Baltimore Ladies' China Missionary Society, 1858.

Women's Foreign Missionary Society Commenced Work, 1871.

MISSIONARIES.

CARRIE I. JEWELL.	PHOEBE L. PARKINSON,	MABEL C. HARTFORD,
LYDIA A. WILKINSON,	MARGUERITE E. GLENK,	*MARY PETERS,
*ALICE LINAM,	MRS. SUSAN TIPPETT,	*WILLMA H. ROUSE,
*ELLEN LYON, M. D.,	JULIA A. BONAFIELD,	ISABELLA LONGSTREET,
LUELLA MASTERS, M. D.,	*MABEL ALLEN.	*PHOEBE WELLS,
*MARY E. CARLETON, M.D.,	LYDIA A. TRIMBLE,	JEANNE ADAMS,
HU KING ENG, M. D.,		FLORENCE PLUMB,

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

*MRS. GEO. B. SMYTHE,	MRS. M. C. WILCOX,	MRS. W. H. LACY,
MRS. N. J. PLUMB,	MRS. JAMES SINESTER,	*MRS. J. E. SKINNER,
	MRS. B. MARSH.	

*Home on leave.

Appointments made at the last Conference were:

MISS PARKINSON—Seminary.

MISS WILKINSON—Girls' Boarding-school,—High-school and Intermediate Departments.

MISS BONAFIELD—Primary Department, Orphanage and Day-schools.

MISS JEWELL—Training-school, Bible-women and Evangelistic work in Liang Au Hospital.

MISS WELLS—General Evangelistic work in Liang Au Hospital.

DR. E. M. LYON—Women's and children's Hospital.

DR. HU KING ENG—Woolston Memorial Hospital.

MRS. PLUMB—Evangelistic work in Woolston Memorial Hospital.

MING-CHIANG DISTRICT.

MISS PETERS—Training-school and Day-schools.

MISS LONGSTREET—Bible-women and Evangelistic work.

HOK-CHIANG AND NGU-CHENG DISTRICT.

MISSSES TRIMBLE AND ALLEN—Girls' Boarding School, Day-schools and Bible-women.

HAI-TANG DISTRICT.

MISSSES TRIMBLE AND ALLEN—Training-school, Day-schools and Bible-women.

KUCHENG AND KU-DE DISTRICT.

MISS HARTFORD—Girl's Boarding-school and Day-schools.

MISS LINAM—Training-school and Bible-women.

MISS GLENCK—Romanized-school. General Evangelistic work, and Music in the Girls' and Training-schools.

TONG-BING DISTRICT.

MISS HARTFORD—Training-school.

MISS LINAM—Day-schools and Bible-women.

In July as the war spirit threatened Foochow, a number of the missionaries of the General Society, with their wives and children fled to Japan. Of our mission Miss Jewell went to Hong Kong; Misses Todd, Wells, Peters and Dr. Lyon left for the United States, via Hong Kong and India, the first three on furlough, having been out one term. Miss Linam followed on the next steamer.

The rest of our missionaries took refuge at Sharp Peak, as the place from which escape could more readily be made should it be found necessary. To these unsettled conditions probably, we must attribute failure to report some departments of the work.

Boarding School, Foochow, Miss Wilkinson in charge. For the year ending June 14, 1900, one hundred and sixteen was the number of boarders. Six girls graduated from the school, and a class of nine graduates from the primary department have presumably taken their places. One of the Boarding School graduates is a teacher in the Hai Tang Woman's School; two are teaching all day in Foochow, and three teach one-half the day and study in the Conference Seminary one-half the day. The girls have no other thought while studying in the school than that they are preparing for usefulness in the church. Two graduates from this school left Foochow in May to attend college in America. Both of them were carried through the course on scholarships provided by the Baltimore Branch. May Hu, cousin to Dr. Hu King Eng, taught for four years in the boarding school and is now in Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa. Ruby Sia graduated in '93 and afterward studied in Japan for two years. In Foochow she was on the Isabel Hart scholarship. She is now in Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa. Miss Wilkenson says: "We find it difficult to manage the work without their help." Miss Bonafield had sixty-five in the kindergarten and day school department and they were, as a measure of protection, at the time of unrest sent to reliable Christian families in the country. The kindergarten has been in charge of pupils from the seminary, who in this way have earned their support. The children in the first primary department had a sale of work; fancy boxes, quilts, et cetera, that netted them \$10.00."

Much of the year there has been no matron, and so housekeeping,

looking after the clothing and disciplining the children has fallen to Miss Bonafield's lot. A case of petty thieving was punished by the children borrowing the few cash they had taken and paying back the owners, and then giving their Sunday treat of candy to pay for the cash they had borrowed, and the children themselves declared the punishment was "according to reason." The girls in the Orphanage who are old enough are given sewing to do, for which they are paid fifty cents a month, and with this money they buy their clothes and are allowed to spend this allowance just as they please. This method develops industry, economy and independence.

The boarding school having attained such growth as calls for the orphanage building to be used for dormitories, little college homes are being built for the orphans, and in these the little ones will receive a training that will fit them eventually to properly manage homes of their own. The industrial work grows and is a blessing to the church in this district. Miss Adams, who went out at her own charges and is self-supporting, has charge of it. The women are for the most part widows, and all are *desperately* needy cases. They are distributed over the district, four or five from each church, and when the preachers were told, says Miss Bonafield, that we could give employment to four or five of their Christian women, they were as delighted as though we had given them a small fortune. Forty of these women meet every Sunday at Heavenly Rest Church, and when told by their heathen neighbors "if you go to church you will be killed," they answered—"A Christian is not afraid to die." Day schools are suffering terribly on account of the war.

On fourteen of the sixteen circuits Miss Bonafield has held meetings with the women organized into classes to meet on Sunday afternoons.

The Woman's Training School has fifteen women, and the Romanized school, ten women, and these schools are held in the same building, which could accommodate thirty, but appropriations have not been sufficient. It is hard, *very* hard under such circumstances, and with women begging to be taken in, and the church calling for more Bible-women and schools to say them no. These women appreciate their opportunities and lament, many of them, that opportunity came so late.

One woman who had gone home sick, when convalescence had set in, felt too miserable one evening to leave her bed and kneel at her bedside to pray, as was her custom. Her husband asked what was troubling her, and she told him. Would it do if he prayed for her? Yes, she thought it would. So, the poor heathen husband knelt down and she told him what to say, and he repeated her prayer. "Dear woman," says Miss Jewell, "she understands the *heart-side* of prayer now." Dr. Lyon at the Chinese New Year, not having regained full strength after her illness,

left for a visit to Ku-cheng, stopping on the way at Ming-chiang, and Dr. Masters who had just arrived looked after the work on the Island Hospital. July 10 Dr. Lyon wrote: "On account of closing for repairs we have had only 950 in-patients, but these have been carefully taught and many have gone home believing in Christ. Miss Wells' Evangelistic work in the Hospital and her influence over the students has been greatly blessed." Of a week's itinerary taken in May in which the Doctor was accompanied by Miss Wells, Doctor says: "I prescribed for 950 patients, many of them blind, some hopelessly so, and it made me long for the power given to the early disciples." Miss Wells had abundant opportunities for preaching Christ. No report from the city hospital or work on Ming-Chiang District.

Miss Trimble has found special pleasure and encouragement in the usual District Conferences, for there as nowhere else can they gauge growth in grace. As she looks over the conferences held during the years she has been in Hok-Chiang, she exclaims—"God has done great things for us, whereof I am glad!" Perhaps the most marked feature of the Conference was the gift they brought as a thank offering to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society for what it had done for them, \$36.45 and they unanimously agreed to send it to Miss Elicker, Kbandwa, India, to support an orphan. In June the League, which is made up entirely of students, sent an additional \$40 to the famine sufferers. Great pleasure was experienced by the return of Miss Allen after her year in Foochow, where she had rendered such efficient help. Miss Trimble says—"If you dear women could have seen that company of bright, educated, saved women in attendance upon the Annual Woman's Conference you never, never would know weariness again in planning and working for this great interest." After Christmas a month was spent on the Island District of Hai Tang, and Miss Trimble says: "There is no part of my work I enjoy quite so much as Hai Tang—the people are so kind, so appreciative and so eager to learn. Each day school was visited, and a good deal of time given to the Woman's Training School."

Two bright young women graduated and are now teachers in the day school. The school is doing excellent work, notwithstanding it is left almost entirely to native supervision. This Island work needs a resident missionary. The Girls' Boarding School is constantly increasing in numbers and efficiency: over fifty girls in attendance. A Romanized school was opened, but an epidemic of small-pox soon closed it. Schools closed the 20th of June. Five women graduated from the Training School in Ngu Chang and one in Hai Tang; all of them are engaged as Bible-women. Miss Trimble adds—"The event of the year for us in Hok Chiang was the timely coming of Dr. Masters. It took from us such a

load of responsibility to have a doctor all our own to look after our big family of one hundred and more students, and doctor's coming has been a benediction to all our work." Industrial work, lace work and weaving have been nicely started, and it is the intention to have the women and girls give to it some time each day, in partial recompense to the schools. Dr. Masters on arrival in Foochow took charge of the hospital while Dr. Lyon took her brief vacation. Upon her return Dr. Masters went to her appointment in Hok-Chiang, Miss Trimble kindly offering the new Woman's School building for her use, but it was without furniture. She ordered six beds, each bed consisted of two benches and five boards, thinking it would be many weeks before she would have patients to occupy them, but before the close of the first day every bed was taken. Then she ordered five more beds, and before that order was filled she had patients lying on the floor.

When the medical work was four weeks and five days old she made the following statistical report. Patients seen at Dispensary, 1,109. Prescriptions written and filled, 1,263. Ward Patients, 51. Visits in homes while at Foochow, 17: in Ngu Cheng, 26. Total Patients, 1,203. Surgical Operations, 90. Leading literary men of the city came to her of their own free will and offered to sell a beautiful site for a hospital near a Confucian Temple. The property belongs to the literary people and only degree men worship in the temple. Missionaries had in vain tried to buy it as a site for church or school, but they will sell it only for medical work. Size of ground 160 ft. x 200 ft. price \$430 gold. Her report subsequent to February, 26, up to July 5, is Ward cases 178. Patients in homes, 91. Dispensary Patients, 2,436. Total number of Patients, 2,705. Prescriptions, 2,833. Ward cases that have unbound their feet, 12. Ward patients that have united with the church, 4. Receipts for medical services, \$127.05. Miss Hartford has twenty-four day schools in Ku Cheng district with a membership of 365. The majority of the schools are first-class; the teachers better qualified for their work than ever before. Four of them are graduates from the Girls' Boarding School and eighteen are graduates from the Woman's Training School. Ku Cheng Girls' Boarding School opened May 25th. Miss Hartford planned on account of the late opening to keep the school running all summer, but riots in the northwest compelled change of plans. Scattered as the girls were they kept on with their studies, and when examined Miss Hartford was surprised at the advancement they had made. There has been very little sickness in the school. The day after Christmas eight first-class girls had their examinations. The civil magistrate dined with them and attended the examinations which were held in the church. Two of the girls went to Foochow to study medicine with Dr. Hu King Eng. Miss

Glenk has given instruction in music. The girls have enjoyed their Epworth League work, and have been a great help to many poor children, furnishing them with clothes.

Long Bing School. Miss Hartford writes of the fluctuations in attendance at the Long Bing Woman's School, and upon her last visit of her great joy in finding twenty women and girls studying. A few years ago there was not a Christian woman or girl who could read or had unbound feet; even preachers' wives had bound feet and betrothed their children in infancy. Long Bing is twenty-five years behind Ku Cheng. In Long Bing we have had six day schools and five Bible-women. One school had to be closed on account of the plague.

Miss Linam says of the Ku Cheng Woman's School: We had a blessed year: twenty-two women are studying. Five graduated from the school last year, and three are now teaching day schools and doing most excellent work. Seven will finish the course this year, and three will take the Bible woman's Course, and four the day school teachers' course. Seventeen Bible-women have been at work in Ku Cheng and Ku De districts.

MRS. E. B. STEVENS, *Official Correspondent.*

HING-HUA CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference 1896.

MISSIONARIES.

MINNIE E. WILSON,

MARTHA LEBEUS,

*ALTHEA M. TODD,

ELIZABETH W. VARNEY, MARTHA NICOLAISEN.

*Home on leave.

At the request of the Official Correspondent the following report was prepared by Miss Todd, fresh from the field.

The beginning and ending of this report must be a plea for workers, not to open new work but to care for that started long ago.

In Hing-Hua the Juliet Turner Woman's School was closed in January. Why? Because there was a limit to Miss Wilson's strength. Attacks of malaria have weakened her, and, although she is hopeful, the tears will come when we must plan to make the work of four women fit on the shoulders of one.

The Girls' School has also suffered, for while girls are ready to enter, there are no proper buildings and but one missionary to be mother, matron,

and teacher for the whole family. Miss Varney has been enthusiastic in teaching the girls along industrial, as well as spiritual and intellectual lines, and there has been a marked improvement in the school. The older girls are class leaders and Sunday school teachers, and are growing because of responsibilities placed upon them. Two have died during the year and have had most blessed experiences.

The Leper Day School is always encouraging, and this year two of the girls, as yet untouched by the disease, have come out from among them to be trained to help their people.

The Bible-women and day schools have been cared for by Mrs. Brewster and Miss Wilson. A school was conducted for these workers and in one month they received much instruction in methods of work and new zeal to go into their heathen villages.

The work in Sieng-iu has been greatly blessed. Miss Nicolaisen has been sent to take up the work with Miss Lebeus. In May the woman's new school building was dedicated with much rejoicing, it being given in direct answer to prayer. This fall the girls' school will be opened in the Isabel Hart Memorial. The District work is also flourishing, encouraging reports coming from both Bible-women and day schools. The girls seem to be taking a new interest in study.

The Ing Chung District has been cared for by Miss Todd, who has been obliged to carry on all lines of work. The girls and women in the boarding schools have advanced in many ways, and it has been most encouraging to see the pupils growing in grace and going back to their homes to tell the story of Jesus' love for *women*. All the women in the school have unbound their feet, and scattered over the District are multitudes of women waiting for instruction. Some are willing to walk five days' journey to school, but others cannot, but must wait until a missionary can come to teach them. Their constant plea is, "Come and teach us about Jesus; we have not time to hear about anything else."

When the present difficulties are settled there will be a grand opportunity for work, and while we thank God for the past we continue to pray for workers to be ready to preach, teach, and heal these dear sisters who call their Christian sisters to come to their rescue.

MRS. A. N. FISHER, *Official Correspondent*.

NORTH CHINA.

*Conference Organized in 1893.
Woman's Work Organized in 1871.*

MISSIONARIES.

*EDNA G. TERRY, M. D.	ANNA D. GLOSS, M. D.	MRS. M. L. BARROWS, M. D.
RACHEL R. BENN, M. D.	ELLA E. GLOVER,	*MIRANDA CROUCHER,
MRS. C. M. JEWELL,	*EFFIE G. YOUNG,	EMMA MARTIN,
ANNA E. STEERE,	GERTRUDE GILMAN,	MARY E. SHOCKLEY,
FRANCES O. WILSON	IDA M. STEVENSON, M. D.	ESTELLE D. MARTIN, M. D.

MISSIONARIES' WIVES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

*MRS. F. D. GAMEWELL, *MRS. N. S. HOPKINS.

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*Home on leave.

Last year the report of the Girls' Boarding School in Peking commenced with this statement: "If history is made from wars and discords, then little should be required of the Peking School, because it has been very peaceful. The only interference with our plans was on the day when the girls were to return to the school. The trains were stopped for one day while search was being made for Kang Yü Wei, the reformer, who was escaping to save his head from the Empress-Dowager's axe. Did you get the impression from the newspapers that the Empress is a benign old lady who looks upon the whole human race as belonging to one family? Well, she has given the world two pictures of herself this year—one with the young-Emperor and all his wholesome reforms under her foot, while she cut off the heads of five of the best men of the Empire without so much as a trial. The other—in her audience hall, where she is smiling sweetly upon the wives of the foreign ministers while she sips *tea* from the same cup with *one*, and pats another lovingly on the cheek with a grace fit to deceive the very "elect."

The opening of the present school year was very pleasant, one of the first items of interest being the marriage of one of the girls whose history from the time she entered the school had been tinged with sadness,—but a strong character. She was wedded to a young preacher from the University, and if the same fidelity and fortitude which was apparent in her school days characterizes her future, she will be a very useful woman. The home-coming of Miss Young reduced the regular staff of teachers, but as the number of pupils enrolled was not quite as many at the opening of the new school-year as the year previous, owing to the Tsun Hua graduating class having been retained another year in Tsun Hua, and there were a few *new* girls to fill vacancies, it was not quite as difficult to supply the deficiency.

Mr. Gamewell, who has so often come to the aid of our workers has had a large class in physics all the year, infusing his own love of this special line of thought,—“seeing God in every law of science,” and to God the attention of the pupils is constantly directed.

Mrs. Gamewell has continued her class in music which is certainly making progress, for they have recently ventured upon the “Hallelujah chorus” which they really do quite well. The older girls of the school have kept up their work in the Heathen Sunday School, and their daily visits to read to the Hospital in-patients.

A genuine revival of religion was enjoyed in the spring, such as led many of the girls to a renewed consecration of themselves, and then in going out after others, resulting in the saving of many souls. Mrs. Jewell closes her report with these significant utterances :

“The country is very unsettled. It never could be more truly said of any people, ‘They know not what they do.’ Not even the wisest can predict whether a storm is going to break upon us one of these days, or whether those mutterings will gradually die out. God has greatly blessed our work so far, and we do not intend to stay our hands. ‘He that observeth the winds shall not sow, and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap.’ ”

The Training School has had one term of five months during the year. All of the pupils had unbound feet, seven of whom unbound them during this year. One elderly lady came into the school, determined to maintain her advocacy of the old custom, but the second day after her entering, to the surprise of all, she requested that her feet might be unbound. And when asked for reasons for this change she explained: “I came to this school well pleased with my bound feet, but when I saw them the only bound feet in the school, they did not look so pretty to me, besides, I have suffered a whole night of exhortations.” The women had argued, exhorted and prayed until she yielded. This case illustrates the way in which a sentiment when once it possesses a school, converts the members into a sort of a mill that readily turns out results, that before such sentiment prevailed, were accomplished only through much labor and waiting. Other women came into the school with bound feet, and sooner or later unbound them. In each case the unbinding was a result of living in the atmosphere of a school which was antagonistic to foot-binding.

There were three good assistants in the schools every day. Mrs. Li, who assists in the Sleeper Davis Hospital, has also done some teaching. Also the wife of a student who has been studying in America for three years, and a graduate who is under appointment as a Bible-woman. These three have made it possible to keep every woman under instruc-

tion all the time. To relieve the strain of long, steady hours, and many recitations, they gave oral lessons in Geography, read Pilgrims' Progress, and gave readings and talks on the Old Testament; besides helping by the force of their own Christian characters to impress upon beginners the principles of the "right way." Mrs. Jewell says: "These women read the Old Testament with me, a daily service, with the 'Three Fold Secret of the Spirit' as text-book. That these sessions were very profitable was evidenced by the marked improvement upon mind and character of the women as well as by their words of appreciation. And it is very desirable to put all Bible-women under instruction for a *part* of each year, certainly. At best, they are not experts in the use of their Bibles. The course of four or five years gives them a fair beginning, that needs to be supplemented with instruction, constantly. One young woman took daily lessons of one-half hour in foreign sewing, and this constituted the industrial department for the year. The Evangelistic work in the city and country has received very little attention for lack of time and strength.

The Tartar city day school has only a small attendance. Three girls were ready to enter the boarding school, and having obtained the requisite amount of clothing were admitted to the "large school." Eight of the pupils of the thirteen in regular attendance are from heathen homes. Miss Gilmore, who has charge of this school, says: "Unexpected visits to this school find all busy. Studying aloud is heard before they have any idea of my approach."

Tsun Hua boarding school had a *very* short year, commencing Sept. 4th, and closing the last of March on the account of necessary arrangements to be made for the new memorial building. Nearly all of the pupils of the previous year, and thirteen new ones constituted the enrollment of seventy-three for the year. It is quite usual that the girls from this school go to Peking for a few more years of study, but this year has been an exception, for four girls of the class "went out of the gate," one into a heathen home where she was obliged to bind up her feet and go to serve a mother-in-law, two to Christian homes, and the fourth married a "looker toward the doctrine." The fact that our girls go out to make Christian homes is a matter over which to rejoice. Miss Croucher says she heard a Presiding Elder say in a public *Conference* of missionaries two years ago that the question of early betrothal was a most important one in our church, and that making betrothals was as clear an index of the Christian status of our church members as any *one* thing. He asked the question "Are our church members arranging early betrothals or not, and are recent believers doing all they can to break betrothals made into heathen families before they believed?" This year I have been moved to inquire

minutely into this matter concerning the girls in the school, and found that out of seventy-three pupils, only six were betrothed, three into heathen and three into Christian homes. During the year one of these girls was relieved by the death of the future heathen husband. In the majority of cases, no betrothals had been made; in others, they had been broken by the decision of the parents that their daughters should unbind their feet and go to school. Is not this quite a remarkable showing? Self-support is gaining an influence, surely. This year all clothing and bedding has been required of the girls, also books and slate-pencils and it is found to be beneficial in more ways than from a pecuniary point of view. Girls are more careful of their clothes and more orderly.

Class-room work has been fairly good, examinations in most cases satisfactory. The industrial work has had another year of success. Over thirty of the girls have earned their clothing in part or in whole.

During the year a series of revival meetings were held, and twenty-three of the girls signified their wish and purpose to consecrate their lives to the service of Christ. The growth of Christian character and conduct has been very marked, and especially evidenced in the spirit of obedience manifested by both older and younger members of the school. There have been some hard problems to solve during the year, but He has given the needed wisdom. One of the assistants who had observed the deep trenches that were being dug for the lime and mortar which was to be the foundation for the new building, prayed that this might be symbolical of the strong foundations of Christian character that should also be laid here in the days to come.

The day-school has had eighteen children enrolled, most of them children of church members. Most of the members are prepared for boarding school, but for lack of room have not been admitted. Two outside children have been very constant in their attendance, the morning meal provided for them being an inducement. The younger children in this school have never seen idols worshiped in their homes.

Mrs. Hayner writes: "In last year's conference minutes after Evangelistic, training school and day school, there stood three ominous words, "To be supplied." Trying to make these words less keenly felt has been my work this year. With limited time I could not attempt to supply the place of my predecessors in these departments of the work. It was decided in the early autumn not to attempt to run the training school. And I thought best to devote my time and efforts to personal work among the women, hoping to deepen their heart experience, and win their co-operation in real church work. After making some changes in time for holding class-meetings and Bible-class, I proceeded to the work, with a good degree of success. The latest effort has

been the organization of a missionary auxiliary with sixteen members, each pledged to give one cash a day, which in United States currency means twenty-five cents,—gold—a year. Our first meeting was a success. The general spirit of the year has been one of earnestness and consecration.

The Memorial School in Tientsin, the new school so long desired, became a reality a year ago. Thirty-three girls came on the fourteenth of the month, and since then sixteen have been added, ages varying from eight to twenty-one years, and from widely separated homes. Very few had known anything of school-life, and it was not easy for them to get accustomed to living by rules when they have been taught, by example, at least that to be *almost* right is just as well as to *be* right.

Miss Glover says : We have been grateful all the year for the help of an earnest Christian girl, who after finishing the course in Tsun Hua, studied for a year in Peking. Some defect in her eyes made it unsafe to pursue her studies further, but she had learned enough of school customs to be able to help us greatly in getting our school into running order. All the year her influence has been good. She has been able to teach some of the easier books. As a child she was betrothed into a well-to-do family, and at that time neither family had heard the gospel. About five years ago, she heard that her father-in-law was getting into bad ways, and had opened a gambling shop. Those were dark days for the young girl. She wanted to die. She prayed as best she knew to the indefinite "Lord of Heaven" to save her from such a fate. Later on she heard that her father-in-law had accepted the new doctrine—and this news was as bad as the other. When he, after hearing of our schools for girls, desired her to enter one, her cup of bitterness was full to overflowing. She had heard nothing good of the Christians. As there was no other way for her, she went to the school. What a happy surprise awaited her! What happy years followed! She has become a true disciple of the Master whom we serve.

The year has been a peaceful one. We tried to take as advanced a step on self-support as possible, and succeeded very well.

Miss Shockley opened an industrial department which will speak for itself when a little older. She has also had a class in gymnastics a part of the year, and Mrs. Pyke has made a beginning in teaching the girls to sing, and we know that they have made some progress.

The report closes as follows : "The girls have gone to their homes but what they will meet God only knows, but He *cares* and can keep them faithful even unto death. The year opened bright with hope for the future; it closes with hope realized and strong faith that He who has so wonderfully helped in the past, will abundantly bless in the days to come."

The Training School of sixteen pupils were most of them new. Progress in their studies has been good and the spiritual life of the school very encouraging.

The Boarding School in Shantung had two of the Peking school girls, one to teach the women, the other the girls : one of these exerted a good Christian influence, felt all through the school, and most of the girls have given good evidence of growth in grace and knowledge of the "doctrine" and have made good advancement in their regular school work. Miss Steere says, "I wish you could see the girls, down to the youngest write the multiplication table on the blackboards, using our signs and figures. Arithmetic is the bane of a Chinese girl's school life, and I have given special attention to this, hearing the class myself."

Evangelistic work can hardly be reported independent of any other line of work. The Bible-woman has done some outside visiting as well as among the church members. Mrs. Wang is still a cripple, having had a second fall, but she is abundant in all good works that come within her reach.

Footbinding or rather unbinding has been at a standstill. Owing to the disturbed condition of the country all departments of our work have suffered here in this section, as the first outbreak of the Boxers, resulting in the murder of Mr. Brooks was near, only a few miles distant, and very naturally fear and apprehension among the native Christians and all who had sympathy with them, was all-engrossing. Did ever a people need a Saviour as do these poor, benighted Chinese !

The Medical work, has been a most important factor in breaking down prejudice and in attracting attention to our work.

Dr. Barrows with very limited accommodations had succeeded in securing quite a patronage, as her statistical report shows.

The Dispensary building was finished in the early summer and although small, has been a great convenience, adding efficiency to this department. She says : "There are many evidences that we are gaining in the good will of the people in spite of the anti-foreign prejudice. Altogether, this has been the most satisfactory year of medical work I ever enjoyed. A beginning only has been made, but surely will be lost if someone cannot come soon to take up, and carry forward this work, which is His surely."

L. A. ALDERMAN, *Official Correspondent.*

The foregoing report of the work of our Society in North China, closes May 30, 1900.

The date for the Annual session of the Conference was May 31, to be held in Peking. Owing to the existing excitement in sections it was a matter of some doubt whether there would be any session of the

Conference. Four of our ladies from Tientsin, Drs. Terry and Stevenson, Misses Glover and Croucher, joined the brethren; the party arriving in Peking found great excitement prevailing, but they arrived in safety, without molestation from the crowds that were in evidence on the streets. The Woman's Conference convened next day at 2 p. m., and eighteen members responded to their names, and eight new names were added to the roll. Daily sessions were held and the usual business attended to. Reports were received and Committees appointed and miscellaneous business faithfully looked after. The meeting adjourned on the evening of the third day, and the closing *Resolution* was adopted:—"That with gratitude we acknowledge the watchful care of our Heavenly Father; and the consciousness of His presence with us during these days of especial danger."

Next morning found our friends in haste to leave Peking. Dr. Terry with wraps on, and satchel in hand ready to return, but at the suggestion of the Treasurer, that "accounts" should be looked over, she decided to remain, and take the afternoon train down. The party of six men and three women that left Peking that morning reached Tientsin in safety only through God-given persistence, and heroism, and His "Lo, I am with you" nerving them for the flight. But Tientsin was a dangerous "place of refuge."

What followed there during the succeeding weeks has been told by pen and voice over and over again, so it is unnecessary to restate here the perils and we may say miraculous preservation of our missionaries through that fearful siege, and hundreds of the native Christians as well. Can we ever forget the unbounded kindness and hospitality of that peerless friend of humanity—Mr. Edward Cozens, whose name will be engraved on more enduring tablets than of marble or precious gems of worldly magnificence.

What of the missionaries whose work was so suddenly interrupted by this outbreak of persecution, resulting in such abominable atrocities, the massacre of thousands of native Christians, and the destruction of property, the value of which has not yet been officially given as a claim for indemnity. The original cost of most of our property will be found in the Thirtieth Annual Report of our Society, but as building and the cost of supervision is much more expensive at the present time than when these buildings were erected, they cannot be replaced for anything like the sums specified in that list.

Mrs. Jewell, Drs. Terry, Gloss and Martin, and Misses Gilmore and Martin were in Peking during those weeks of awful suspense, caring for the dear girls of the school. Dr. Terry was released when the Legations were, August 15; then came to Japan and home, where she arrived October 25th. Mrs. Jewell, who has been quite ill, will come home as soon

as able, accompanied by Dr. Gloss. Miss Croucher came to Yokohama, stopped a few weeks, and then came on, having decided to improve this time in taking her furlough instead of returning to China and waiting for an opening for work. Miss Shockley has done the same.

Misses Glover and Wilson came to Aoyama, Japan, remained a few weeks, and were cabled to return to Tientsin. It was not decided at that time what could, or would be done with the school in Peking; various plans were considered, but the latest word is that they are to remain in Peking for the present, and that Miss Glover and Wilson will go to the relief of those who have been under the strain of this work for so long. What cause we have for thanksgiving that not one of our missionaries in North China has fallen a victim to the sword or the cannon, or the fiendish devices of those blood-thirsty Boxers! What an indefinite *debt* of gratitude we owe to Him, who has so lovingly cared for them! What shall we render unto Him, in token of our appreciation of His great goodness! He will expect us to evince our sincerity by a fuller consecration, more earnest, unflagging effort, more real self-denial in carrying forward this great work entrusted to us. As we read of the numbers in our sister Boards who have been called to mourn the loss from their ranks, with tearful eyes and hearts throbbing with loving sympathy we tender our assurance of fellow feeling and our prayers that these afflicting events may be over-ruled for the furtherance of the Gospel in that benighted land of superstition and idolatry.

We are called upon to appropriate as a Branch, in addition to the three missionaries on the field and the three at home on furlough, \$2,500 for pupils in school, rents and other necessary expenses. We hope that many pupils not yet heard from may be found. Time will be required for this. Some are still in hiding and must be helped where they are until such time as they can be gotten into school again. Not a school building or home is left of all that was ours in North China save the hospital and Memorial Building in Tientsin, which has been in use by the United States Government from the beginning of the "Outbreak."

We take this opportunity of saying to our constituency, that we shall probably need every dollar that is included in our "appropriations for work" in North China during this fiscal year 1901. Let no patron of "Special Work" withhold one penny from her pledge. We must not fail to meet the claims upon us at this time.

Let us prove our loyalty to the King, whom we love and serve.

If indeed the "Ark of the Lord" abide in your habitation, do make earnest inquiry, "Lord, what wilt Thou have *me* do?" Tarry till He answers thy petition—then go forth to do *His* bidding!

L. A. ALDERMAN, *Corresponding Secretary*.

CENTRAL CHINA.

*Woman's Work Organized in Kiukiang, 1874.**Woman's Work Organized in Chinkiang, 1884.**Woman's Work Organized in Nanking, 1887.*

MISSIONARIES.

Chinkiang.

LUCY H. HOAG, M. D.

LAURA M. WHITE,

MARY C. ROBINSON.

*GERTRUDE TAFT, M. D.

Kiukiang.

CLARA E. MERRILL,

GERTRUDE HOWE,

*KATE L. OGBORN.

IDA KHAN, M. D.,

MARY STONE, M. D.

Nanking.

*ELLA C. SHAW,

MRS. A. C. DAVIS,

SARAH PETERS.

Wu Hu.

EMMA MITCHELL.

*Home on Leave.

The work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in Central China has suffered great interruption during the year. Although there has been no outbreak in the immediate territory of Central China, such was the disturbed conditions that the United States Consul advised the missionaries to leave their stations for places of safety.

Dr. Lucy Hoag of Chinkiang writes from Fukuoka, Japan, under date of July 4th as follows: "The property in Central China so far as I know is intact and I have not heard of any persecution among the Christians, but the missionaries were ordered out by the several consuls, and our ladies have taken the girls who were entirely dependent on them.

Miss Howe is in Nagasaki with her family, and my Katie and her family are also there.

The Christians will be the first to suffer now that most of the foreigners are out of the valley. At the North the names of the Christians were taken. They were marked before the Boxer movement appeared, and the houses in which there were Christians were marked by a hand smeared in red ink and pressed on the walls. So not only the Christians themselves but the houses in which there were Christians were spotted ready for the day of massacre.

The experiences of the fugitives have been thrilling. Many have lost their lives, have been murdered in trying to escape, and when the history is written up of this China uprising, it will make a thrilling volume.

A Dr. Leslie was traveling down from Honan, with his wife, and was attacked by desperados who attempted to carry off his wife. He pointed a

pistol at them to defend her, they brought down a sword and cut the ligaments of both wrists. He and his wife escaped but not until they had cut the ligaments of both wrists and both ankles, and he is a most pitiful wreck. Every few days we hear of the murder of missionaries who are on their way to the coast.

The case of the converts is far more pitiable than of the missionaries. The Christians are true and loyal and have saved many a missionary's life, but alas, they are hunted and slain without mercy.

The reality is worse than any description could make it, and the struggle is to be a hard one. We locked our house and hospital, nailed the gate and put the premises under the charge of the U. S. Consul. Katie's husband and Mr. Tung, the school teacher, remained on the place for a month after we left, and we concluded that their presence would not prevent rioters and if trouble should come, their lives would only be in peril, so we had them come away.

We are in Japan, waiting until something is done. The nations will not allow China to pass unpunished, but out of it all there will be a new China and the blood of the martyrs will be the seed of the church. Miss Robinson is in Shanghai with about twenty-five orphans. Shanghai is very crowded, and she may bring them to Japan. These girls are some of them of the graduating class, and will, when China is settled, be invaluable as helpers in beginning the work after its interruption. Miss White is in Japan, and Dr. Taft will go to the States, as it is nearly time for her furlough.

The expense of bringing away the girls will be much more than if they had remained in Chinkiang. I feel sure that the ladies of our Society will help all possible rather than that they be cast out to have such dreadful things happen to them as has been experienced in North China, too dreadful to say—limbs hacked off by piece meal, disemboweled and their heads cut off.

Miss Seeds has invited us to make our home with her for the present and I am waiting to hear from Nagasaki.

It is very quiet in Japan, quite unlike the state of tension that the residents of Shanghai experience. Miss Robinson will stay in Shanghai with the orphans, and since British and French troops are there, and a standing army and warships in the harbor, it is considered quite safe.

The shock, the awfulness is in a measure passing away in the thought that China humbled will be a China more willing to be taught, and that mission work will prosper as never before. Many have said that something terrible must before long happen to China as she has been filling up the cup of wickedness. The Chinese people are the victims and the

sufferers, in the largest degree. Then to think of the loss of life to the soldiers ; thousands and thousands will be slain in this conflict.

Under date of October 8, she writes again: "The ladies of the southern Methodist Episcopal Mission have been most generous to us in hospitality and the orphans and Miss Robinson and I were all at this home a month. Miss White came to Japan when I followed soon with Mr. and Mrs. Cheu, Katie, and little Henry, a little over two years old. Mr. Cheu expected to look out for himself in Chinkiang, but as his employment was taken away by the troubles and as he might suffer for being a Christian I brought them all to Fukuoka, Japan. I think we will return to Shanghai about the last of this month, as Miss Robinson has rented a house large enough for us all, and then we will be near Chinkiang to go up just as soon as the Consuls will permit us. I hope the allied Powers will soon come to an understanding among themselves and with the best rulers of China and that we will have peace that will not be a patched up one. I do not desire such half-way measures as that there will be a recurrence of the terrible experiences of the last few months. Since the middle of September I have been with Miss Seeds in Fukuoka, who is quite alone and has plenty of room for us. This week Dr. Martin who with her sister came to Peking just in time to be caught in the siege, is expected on Tuesday and later, Miss Longstreet of Foochow, who will stay here until she may return to Foochow. Dr. Martin is much broken in health from her night watching with the sick and the small chances for sleep during the day. As she is young I hope she will recover after a perfect rest.

The Japanese have been exceedingly kind to us and to our Christians in Japan, and they ought to have due credit for it. One lady, recently bereaved, brought her beautiful chrysanthemums in pots and gave them to some of the refugees to cheer their hearts.

In our part of China we do not mourn for ourselves, but for the straits into which the Christians are brought, for they receive much reviling and abuse, and much threatening if not actual violence.

The last news from China was that our property is still intact. We have strong reasons to feel that it will be saved to us yet. We came away with our clothing, table linen, and some bedding : all else was left in the houses, and the furnishings of the school and hospital are still there.

Medical Work in Chinkiang. The last year has been encouraging, not so much because of the great increase in the number of patients above those of the year before, but for the kindly feeling, trust and confidence in what they expected to get for their physical discomforts. A new

circle of patrons has been reached and many from distant places, showing that the work is being largely favored in an increasing radius beyond the outskirts of Chinkiang. This may be accounted for by the freedom from local disturbances and the international commotions that affected our work at earlier periods. It has also been a pleasing feature that the people benefited are willing and often proud to express their gratitude substantially so far as their means allow, though the greater number of them are poor or in moderate circumstances and in natural order of sequence many have been willing to listen to the Gospel message. The total number of patients treated during the year is 5571.

We are sad to record that the brief year of peace and encouragement ended in a shadow of an ominous cloud. God grant that Satan, who is the personification of the hatred, treachery and cruelty as practiced by the officials of China may be overthrown and that Christ's kingdom may prevail.

Miss Robinson in charge of the Boarding School in Chinkiang writes from Shanghai: "As time goes by all our apprehensions for being safe in Shanghai are fully justified. The danger now is over, I think, though there are those who prophesy that there will yet be some lively times for Central China. The papers bid me hope we may return to Chinkiang to spend the winter. Only a few of the easily accessible stations and outposts can be thus reoccupied, but you may be sure those who can, will fly back home as soon as possible. I have just made the third move with my family of thirty Chinese. We have carried on our school work since August as well as we could with so many inconveniences not worth mentioning. Bishop Moore has just arrived in Shanghai, Dr. Lowry also and leaves for Peking to-night. I have consulted with him about bringing Mrs. Jewell's school down from Peking to occupy the vacant Mission homes of the Parent Board in Chinkiang.

Misses Glover and Wilson are going to Peking to relieve Mrs. Jewell who is ill.

Miss Howe of Kiukiang writes from Nagasaka, Japan: "The madness that has seized upon the empire of China did not reach our part of the country, until our year's work had been accomplished and the regular time arrived for closing schools and some other lines of work, and easing down for more or less of a summer vacation. Then we were made aware that our city was visited by agents of the fanatical society of Boxers, who were using the same means to work upon the people that they have found so successful in the North. There can be little or no doubt that official sanction and encouragement in the North must account for the great upheaval, for the Chinese do not go crazy en-masse of their own accord. In our part of the country some of the officials were in sympathy

with the movement, and many of the people were influenced to considerable extent, so that no one could say that open hostility would not break out; but so far, the better counsels of the calmer have prevailed, so that at last advices our property at Kiukiang and the out stations, was intact, and the native Christians have suffered no further than threats. All women and children were ordered out of the Yangtze valley. I have sometimes thought, more in order that the Powers might be freer in their action in case they deemed it necessary to take issue with the viceroys than because of immediate danger from the people. It was no doubt wiser and providential that we came away. I am glad we were able to provide safe refuges for orphans and others dependent upon us. Three school girls and a nurse we brought with us and put in the girls' school here, besides some other Chinese who came with us to await the passing of the tempest. This is on the theory that it may be better to live and work for the Master, especially if he points the way, than to consign ourselves to a prospective holocaust. We hope soon to see our work resumed at Kiukiang under more favorable conditions than in the past. The Lord's hand will surely bring some good to his great cause, the well-being of his children, out of this great upheaval. I pray that the world will not tamely submit to the acceptance of any construction the Empress Dowager and her minions may attempt to put on the situation. Not long since I saw an edict advising her high officials to reason with the native Christians and missionaries, citing an instance in which she said a certain official had done so, and the said missionary and native Christians had laid down their arms which they had taken up to resist the Boxers and dispersed. Of course such an edict is intended to prepare the way for laying the blame of all this trouble upon the missionaries and native Christians. From Lord Salisbury's address at the mission society meeting in London I judge he would be glad of such a subterfuge. This great heart of China dreams of nothing but the supremacy of the Chinese, and the supercilious attitude of the people has been the greatest obstacle to a hearing of the Gospel in our own region of country. Other parts have seen something of the power if not the goodness of foreign nations, but not so with us. But the "Lord is upon the Storm" and he can convert it into "showers of blessing" of which we confidently pray for some droppings. Do not waver in devoting your thank offering to Nauchang. It is going to be needed more and meet a more urgent demand even than we had calculated upon. This great heart of China demands evangelization but to the observer the demand now involves our own preservation. Had this heart of the country, Central China become involved in the present frenzy the situation would be far more serious. As it is, the time will come that it shall arouse, when it will be more of a menace to

the world than it could be to-day. I verily believe if the Chinese become scientific, uninfluenced by Christianity, that the "Yellow Plague" will be no longer an empty term. Many who know the people well and are competent judges declare there is no other nation quite equal to the Chinese intellectually. May the Lord grant that as their intellects become disenthralled, their hearts which foreign nations have done much to estrange shall be won by the love of Jesus to a place in the brotherhood of the human race.

WUHU. Miss Mitchell with other missionaries went to Japan and remained some time. Upon returning to Shanghai she received letters from the women of Wuhu telling of their troubles. Miss Mitchell consulted the American Consul who gave her permission to visit Wuhu, but at her own risk, but sent word to the English Consul to extend any courtesy. As the mission property is some little distance from the city, she went to her home, attended to some business, and received and cheered the women. Miss Mitchell says: "The captain of the band at our hill called and paid me the compliment of going down upon one knee in most courtly fashion, and assured me of his determination to protect me and for me not to be alarmed at hearing the soldiers going the rounds during the night. Nearly every night guns were fired to warn any turbulent character of the law, and I felt God was watching His own, so slept as peacefully as if in America."

Miss Mitchell returned again to Shanghai to await further developments.

At the time of going to press we are without a report from West China.

JAPAN.

*Woman's Work Commenced, 1874.
Organized as a Conference, 1884.*

CENTRAL JAPAN.

MISSIONARIES.

Tokyo Tusukiji.

*MATILDA A. SPENCER,
*BELLE J. ALLEN.

Yokohama.

*MRS. C. VAN PETTEN,
AMY G. LEWIS,
CLARISSA H. SPENCER,
MARY BELLE GRIFFITH.

Literary Work.

GEORGIANA BAUCUS.

Tokyo Aoyama.

*REBECCA J. WATSON,
HARRIET S. ALLING,
FANNIE G. WILSON,
N. MARGARET DANIEL.

Industrial School.

ELLEN BLACKSTOCK.

Sendai.

FRANCES E. PHELPS.

Nagoya.

ELIZABETH R. BENDER.
ALMA P. ATKINSON.

MISSIONARIES OF THE GENERAL SOCIETY IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. H. W. SWARTZ,
MRS. W. S. WORDEN.

MRS. B. CHAPPELL,
MRS. G. F. DRAPER.

MRS. C. W. HUETT,
MISS JENNIE S. VAIL.

*Home on leave.

The Educational Edict issued by the Government of Japan, which at this time last year, was causing such consternation in all the Christian schools of the Empire, has not proved as disastrous as was feared. It met with strong opposition not only from missionary workers, but also from much of the secular press, and from many of the more enlightened of the population. A liberal interpretation of its exactions has considerably modified its threatening aspect. The sentiment in favor of Christian education has been unified, and a purer religious atmosphere seems to have resulted from the agitation.

The girls' school at Aoyama Tokyo under Miss Watson's care the last four years, was the first work undertaken by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Japan. Last November its twenty-fifth anniversary was celebrated. Five pupils who in 1874 were enrolled at the opening of the school were present. As they looked around upon the large, commodious buildings now provided for the many girls who crowd its halls, taught by a full corps of teachers in the various departments, and contrasted the present, with the few little children who in the earliest days

gathered in the small Japanese house with one young woman as teacher, who was just beginning to learn the language, many expressions of praise and thanksgiving were heard, for what God had wrought. Five Christian girls graduated last spring and a large number of new applicants are asking for admission. The pupils are organized into various helpful associations. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Auxiliary gives aid to the women in the Loo Choo islands, the King's Daughters hold themselves in readiness for general usefulness, the Temperance society sends flowers to the sick, and contributes to the increase of temperance principles in the houses. The Harrison Industrial school, Miss Blackstock, Superintendent, has had a higher enrollment than formerly and the year has been one of steady advancement and prosperity. A spirit of loving harmony has prevailed among the pupils, many of whom show marked growth in Christian character. Most of the graduates find employment as teachers.

The educational edict of last year fell with crushing effect upon our day school work, which was in Miss Clarissa Spencer's care ; it affected just the class of children of which these schools are mostly composed. After much thought, consultation and prayer, the schools were put into the hands of the Japanese principals, our missionaries carrying on evangelistic work, using the schools as centres. The Mita school has been closed, but the women of the church have opened a poor school in the neighborhood. Those at Fukagawa, Asakusa and Tsukiji are continued, but the latter has been moved to Kanda on account of demand for the building where it was held, and the latter having been closed for the lack of funds. The teachers have heartily co-operated in the effort of sustaining the religious influence in these schools, and in two of them special evangelistic services have been held with blessed results. Two monthly women's meetings, two night schools and mother's meetings have been conducted, keeping the neighborhoods in touch with religious work.

Seven Bible-women are under the direction of Miss Wilson, who has visited all the country district work ; sometimes riding on one side of a horse, the Bible-woman on the other, "in chicken coops turned upside down." Miss Wilson writes of her trips with Miss Tomi Furuta as being blessed times, prayer after prayer was answered, till they were encouraged to ask greater things of the Lord. Interesting conversations occurred, some who had long held fast to heathen customs, finally renouncing all and asking for baptism. Open air and church meetings were held, and the work of the Bible women in these services was particularly helpful in personal work with seekers, and earnest prayer and talk in the homes. The Evangelistic labors of Rev. J. Nakada have been greatly blessed in leading many to Christ and in deepening the spiritual life of those already

in the church, and he has rendered most valuable assistance to the missionaries. The Bible work under Miss Vail's care, and the mothers' meetings conducted by Mrs. Chappell have been blessed, and a growing interest is manifested in all spiritual effort.

In Yokohama, Mrs. Van Patten has conducted the Bible training school for women, which during her furlough will be in charge of Miss C. H. Spencer. The year has been marked by a convention of all the Bible-women in the surrounding districts, which proved a means of great spiritual blessing. As a preparation for future work, the older students go out on two days of the week, and have thus made one thousand visits, which have resulted in twelve conversions. On the Sunday before Christmas every one in the training school and the Sunday schools was asked to bring something for the poor on Christmas day. A beautiful sight was that of the three hundred children in our Horaicho Church Sunday school with their little hands outstretched in their eagerness to put their money, all nicely wrapped in paper, into the collector's bag. The total collection from all the schools was seventeen yen, besides rice, charcoal and potatoes. Mrs. Van Patten superintended five regular Bible-women who visited in fifteen different sections of the city. These women are not yet strong enough to go off alone and plan for work, and there is a plea for trained evangelistic women to be sent from the home land to look after this work.

Day schools, in care of Miss Lewis, suffered the same embarrassment here as elsewhere from the government edict, and two of the schools were changed in their character; the others being in different circumstances have been more successful and are enjoying greater liberty. The industrial work has become self supporting, the kindergarten has lost nothing and the mother's meetings opened by Mrs. Draper have shown a most encouraging attendance.

All departments speak of the pleasure and inspiration derived from the visit of our editor, Miss Hodgkins, whose encouraging words seemed to have made a deep impression.

Although the illness of Miss Phelps detained her some months away from Sendai, she is at her work again now. Her health does not admit of traveling over the district as formerly, so her connection with the four Bible-women is kept up principally by letter. At the last conference the industrial school was added to her care, as Miss Imhof was appointed to Sapporo. For the two years this school was in Miss Imhof's charge it was brought into good organization. The enrollment has reached thirty-one; only children of parents too poor to send them to the government school and the sickly ones are allowed to attend, and the numbers would probably have been much larger, had Christian teaching been drop-

ped from the course of instruction. The government regulations affected the attendance of the boys much more than the girls, as the latter not being considered of so much account, were permitted to remain in the school.

Miss Bender reports from Nagoya : "We are happy to record the fulfillment of hope long deferred in three events, viz.: The new home completed and occupied, the school building begun, and the arrival of a strong and efficient co-worker in Miss Atkinson. This school was left untouched by the educational edicts, and all relations with officials have been characterized by courtesy and consideration." Miss Bender's need was very great and help arriving early in 1900 was only just in time to prevent an entire physical prostration. A larger number of pupils than ever before, entered last fall, and there has been a most gratifying spiritual growth among them. During a four days' series of meetings many who were not Christians accepted Christ, and asked for baptism. Every member of the graduating class is a baptized Christian.

The evangelistic work on the district has been done entirely by the four Bible-women. An interesting incident was the conversion of the most noted beggar in Nagoya. He was brought to the home in such a weak physical condition that it was necessary for a long time to limit his food in quantity and quality. He was washed, fed and taught about Christ. He soon came to realize his own sinfulness and need of a Saviour and was frequently heard at night calling on God for forgiveness. At one time Mrs. Yoshikawa went to him and continued in prayer with him until peace and comfort came. Now he is a wonder to all who knew him, and as in the olden days, "the neighbors and they which before had seen him said : 'Is not this he that sat and begged?' Some said 'this is he' others said : 'He is like him' but he said : 'I am he.' " And like the beggar of whom we read, his physical and spiritual transformation is a witness to all who see him, of the love and power of Christ.

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NORTHERN JAPAN.

*Woman's Work Commenced in Hakodate, 1870.**Woman's Work Commenced in Hirosaki, 1887.**Woman's Work Commenced in Sapporo, 1900.*

MISSIONARIES.

Hakodate.

AUGUSTA DICKERSON, MINNIE S. HAMPTON, FLORENCE E. SINGER.

Hirosaki.

ELLA HEWETT, ADA SOUTHARD.

Sapporo.

ANNA V. BING, LOUISA IMHOF.

HAKODATE. *Caroline Wright Memorial School*.—The past year has been one of more than usual anxiety and labor for Miss Dickerson. The home furlough of Miss Hampton and Miss Singer left her alone in the care of the school and without the wonted counsel of former years. Grave questions arose for solution. The school opened with thirty new pupils, not including those of the kindergarten. The primary class was especially promising. Then came the Ministerial instructions requiring children between the ages of six and ten to attend Government schools or such as might be authorized as substitutes by the local authorities. Request was made for official recognition of the school in all its departments but, while granted for the higher classes, was denied for the primary. The parents were then notified of this action and requested to find other schools for their children. This was difficult owing to a recent destruction by fire of two large public school buildings. But a neighboring French Catholic school was open, having complied with the Government regulations prohibiting all religious instruction, and there the children found room.

Miss Dickerson says, "As one by one our little ones came saying they were going into the Catholic fold our hearts were pained and we felt that there must be some way to prevent that. A few earnest words to our pastor whose own daughter was about to be sent with the others, led him to go personally to the proper official, and, as a parent, ask for the continuance of the primary department until room could be found in the public schools for the pupils. This request, after a dignified interval of three weeks, was granted."

The break occasioned the loss of fourteen pupils. It is hoped that the department may be allowed to continue as a private class, not aiming at the dignity of a full fledged school.

The graduating class numbered seven earnest girls who are well fitted to take up new duties of service for others.

An Alumni Association has been formed and the enthusiastic meetings are doing much to bring former pupils into friendly relation with one another.

Evangelistic Work.—Miss Bing, who was transferred from Nagasaki to superintend the evangelistic work during Miss Hampton's absence, testifies that, although the change was marked which sent her from the extreme south to the extreme north of Japan and from the music department of a school to evangelistic work, she has proved that in the Master's service wherever her lot and whatever her work there is her highest joy. By the new opportunity afforded for visiting in the homes she has been brought nearer the people than ever before. In addition to visiting she has had charge of the monthly missionary society, the school for the blind placed in her care when Mrs. Draper left Hakodate, the Industrial School for Girls, the women's meetings, and in addition, at their earnest request, a Bible class consisting of nineteen professional and business men meeting twice a week.

HIROSAKI. The Hirosaki Girls' School has been an exception among the mission schools of Japan in being allowed to retain all its departments undisturbed, with no restrictions in Bible study or Christian teaching. An evidence of faithful presentation of the truth is manifest in the conversion of twenty-six of the girls. The enrollment of the year was 190.

Arrangements for the much needed new school building have been nearly completed and it is hoped that this may be ready for occupancy early in the coming winter.

Miss Hewett says : "Mr. Kudo remains a marvel of energy and perseverance, not only in the school, but in general church work, sometimes taking the pastor's place in the church service, and often assisting Mr. Alexander in his lantern meetings. Last September he was asked to teach the Bible in the Red Cross Hospital in Hirosaki. There he has a class of eight nurses under instruction, giving them weekly Bible lessons. As a result they have attended church and some have expressed a desire to become Christians. One important event of the year was Mr. Kudo's marriage to Miss Take Seki of our Aoyama school."

The kindergarten, under Miss Southard's management, has increased so that it has become necessary to rent rooms outside the school building. The seating capacity is thirty-two, but frequently thirty-five little ones are present at one time, while the total enrollment is forty-seven. Two of the Hakodate graduates are doing earnest and faithful work as assistants.

Miss Southard writes, "Our hearts have been gladdened as we have watched the increasing interest shown by the mothers. We can go freely to their homes, and they often come to visit us. At the Christmas exercises thirteen mothers and three grandmothers were present, and as the teacher and children talked of the Christ-child, God's greatest gift to mankind, I could not help feeling that God was surely breaking down the barriers against Christianity. In May we opened a kindergarten Sunday school. We use the chain cards and have been surprised to find so many little ones able to recite the text the following Sunday. It is evident that the children are taught these Bible verses in their homes."

Evangelistic Work.—Miss Hewett, in addition to her school duties has, in the absence of Miss Otto, been acting superintendent of the Bible-women of the district. She reports earnest work on the part of these faithful helpers and pleads for a larger number for this very promising field.

SAPPORO. For years prior to the undertaking the attention of the members of the Japan Conference was directed to the desirability of making Sapporo the Gospel centre, as it is the natural center, of the Hokkaido, but even since the new district was formed, with a resident presiding elder, work for women has remained still in charge of our superintendent at Hakodate, a tedious, difficult and expensive distance away. Not more than one visit of a few days each year could be made to the region, and no successful advance might be hoped for under such conditions. Yielding to oft repeated pleas, two of our missionaries have finally been commissioned to work in that district. Miss Bing and Miss Imhof entered upon their new duties in September of the present year.

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SOUTH JAPAN CONFERENCE.

KIUSHIU.

Woman's Work Commenced in 1879.

MISSIONARIES IN NAGASAKI.

ELIZABETH RUSSEL,

MARIANA YOUNG,

MARY E. MELTON,

*IRENE LEE,

LOLA M. KIDWELL.

KAGOSHIMA.

JENNIE M. GHEER,

LIDA B. SMITH.

FUKUOKA.

LEONORA SEEDS.

*Home on leave.

Twenty-one years ago the first two representatives of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society were on their way to Southern Japan, the place where persecution had been most bitter, and where no door seemed open to receive our brave pioneers. They went fearlessly because they knew "whom they had believed," and therefore were neither alone nor afraid. Looking over the reports of the intervening years, we find there has been steady progress, help in every time of need, and deliverance in time of trial in many ways. Decreasing appropriations made the work very heavy on the insufficient toilers in the vineyard, and yet the work had to go on, though at the risk of health and life. The war in China, with Japan as the wayside station, has naturally been felt, in all the open ports particularly, and has made it hard everywhere to hold fast to daily duties when such startling movements were taking place. The six missionaries who composed the Woman's Mission Conference of South Japan last May, sent out no uncertain sound either in speaking of work done or planning for the future.

The work in the Nagasaki school, where one pupil was received in 1879, naturally comes first in a report of work there. Owing to the Imperial edict that all schools should be established under or in conformity with Japanese law, it has taken time to pass through all the forms deemed necessary, as the school has so many departments, and it was difficult to arrange everything according to law, and also difficult to apply the law to the mechanism of the school. But it is happily accomplished. At commencement in June one girl graduated in the scientific course, one

in art course and one in music, and five in Bible training course. These girls finished the academic school and entered college in September, while the five Bible-women left for their different fields of labor, one to the Loo Choo Islands. The clause in government instructions about teaching children under fourteen religious truths took some forty children from this school, much to their disappointment; some of them have since been taken into the Catholic school. Miss Young says, "We have had our Gethsemanes and our Pisgalis, some too sad to rehearse, others full of bright satisfaction to our souls. Death has visited us, and taken some who went joyfully, praising God with their last breath." One whose last hours were full of holy triumph left an inspiration that will be felt in many lives. So as it was in Wesley's time, it is now, when we are *faithful*, "our people die well."

Biblical department and city evangelistic work. Miss Melton in charge of the training school and city evangelical work, presents a very encouraging report. The twelve Sunday schools held at important centers in the city have made themselves felt during the year. Besides the Sunday afternoon school and weekly woman's meeting held in each place, the Bible-women from the training school have given two afternoons each week to house-to-house visitation. On the outskirts of the city, a village given over to the worship of Buddha was visited. As the girls appeared, an old Buddhist woman hurried from her home, crying, "Christianity cannot come to this town. Christianity cannot come to this town. Buddha is here." Her protests followed them through the streets, as they distributed tracts and gave personal words to those that would listen. A Sunday school and woman's meeting has been established near this village, and doubtless the next report will be that Christianity is *there to stay*. Miss Melton rejoices over the deepening spiritual life in the hearts of the students. There is a high premium placed on personal experience, and the happy testimonies heard in chapel and class room encourage us to believe that now, as in olden times, whether in Japan or America, a personal revelation of Jesus Christ will transform heart and life, and prepare His followers for successful service.

Kavassui Dispensary, under the care of De Sugauuma, reports a good year. It has been exempt from epidemics except influenza. Eleven thousand five hundred and sixty prescriptions were given out during the year, three hundred and eighty vaccinated, and two hundred and ten free visits made, ninety-five of these to foreigners of different nationalities. One poor French girl, suffering from an incurable disease was visited forty times before arrangements could be made for her return home. It was gratifying to hear she reached France in time to die

among friends. Much has been done for the insane poor who are without care as far as government is concerned. De Sugauuma reports the health of the girls in boarding school as much improved since Miss Young introduced physical culture as a regular department.

The evangelistic work in Nagasaki District, which includes Kumamoto, Kagoshima, Loo Choo Islands and several other stations, is under the care of Miss Gheer, assisted by Miss L. B. Smith, with eleven trained Bible-women to carry the work under their care. Miss Gheer reports that in the time they have lived in Kagoshima, less than a year, the city has been visited by the heaviest thunder storm, the severest earthquakes, and the worst typhoon experienced in many years. Yet no evil befell us for we were covered with His pinions. The typhoon destroyed our church building, but the church took a new impulse for growth, when the outlook was most discouraging. The work in spite of many trials all over the district was most encouraging, the best we have known; Everywhere the Bible-women have been faithful, the new ones working like veterans. From the different stations the women visit adjoining towns and villages and calls come from many more distant places. The cry Paul heard so many years ago rings in our ears, but alas! we have no one to send. In Loo Choo the prospect was never brighter. The church has been blessed with a glorious revival, and as a result twenty adults have been baptized.

The school and evangelistic work in Fukuoka District have been under the care of Miss Seeds and bravely has she carried the double burden. She gratefully acknowledges the great help and invaluable advice received from the Rev. H. Johnson, the presiding elder and his wife, who brought cheer and comfort when most needed and whose kindness never failed. In the school she reported an increase of fifteen over the enrollment of last year. Every room in the building is occupied; a good year's work was done in school. The Christian girls enjoy working in the city Sunday schools, and are meeting with great success, and by this means are spreading text cards and testaments among the people in the city. At Christmas time the scholars from the seven city Sunday schools met in the little church. Eight of the school girls have been taken into full membership, and seven are on probation, others are believers at heart but are not yet willing to give up all for Christ. One girl did give up her home, when choice was given her; she is one of the Christian girls, but her father's door is closed against her.

The Japanese teachers and the matron have greatly lightened Miss Seeds' burden during this trying year. Since December, 1898, they have been permitted to teach without a Japanese principal. This favor now is a permanent one under the new code of laws. The local authorities

have granted permission to teach the Bible openly as a text book. Heretofore it was taught under the term "Morals." The evangelistic work in this district has had a year of wonderful prosperity. Six Bible-women have been employed. From city to city they make their circuits, working most zealously. Nine hundred visits is the best record made by any one Bible-woman on this district this year and she apologized for not doing more. In one of the cities where she works twenty-one have become Christians through her influence. These Bible-women rent rooms, call in the street children and superintend their own Sunday schools, beside the regular church work. Many instances could be given of most self-denying and joyful service by these devoted workers. No wonder Miss Seeds finds it a joy to be brought in contact with this kind of work. It is still true that "His word will not return unto Him void."

The orphanage at Koga is reported by Miss Young. It has been under the efficient care of Miss Kimma, a Nagasaki graduate. The funds collected by Miss Russell will add greatly to the efficiency and comfort of the place. The orphans are in school in the morning. The afternoon is given to weaving, sewing and lace making. The mulberry trees have grown to a size sufficient to nourish the silk worms, a number of which were cultivated last year. Silk worm culture will begin this season. Wheat and vegetables are already grown. Seventy young orange trees have been planted also. Miss Kimma conducts a Sunday school each Sabbath morning in the orphanage and later one in the village of Koga. In this she is assisted by one of the girls. Miss Russell expects to spend part of the coming year at Koga and next season we will have a more complete report to present.

MRS. E. T. COWEN, *Official Correspondent.*

MEXICO.

MISSIONARIES.

MARY DE F. LOYD, *Mexico City*.
 HARRIET L. AYERS, *Mexico City*.
 IDA BOHANNON, *Pachuca*.
 LUCY BUMGARDNER, *Orizaba*.

ANNA R. LIMBERGER, *Puebla*.
 *CAROLINE M. PURDY, *Puebla*.
 EFFIE M. DUNMORE, *Guanajuato*.
 *MARTHA MCKIBBEN, *Mexico City*.

*Home on leave.

Since this report was written news has been received of Miss McKibben's death.

The work in Mexico shows steady advancement in each station and in all departments. Our methods of instruction, the strict yet kind discipline, and the atmosphere of truth and refinement surrounding the girls in our institutions, commends them to thoughtful parents among the better classes ; while the free scholarships and normal training make them desirable to those who seek preparation for future self-support. In all our schools the religious standard is high, and the Bible is taught as the rule of living.

Miss Loyd was compelled to give up work for a time on account of her health, and left Mexico City in March, but is expecting to return in December. In her absence Miss Ayers has taken the superintendence and Miss McKibben, of Des Moines Branch, went to her assistance. During the year several changes of teachers have become necessary. Five of the eight girls who graduated last year are employed as teachers in the school, and are as earnest and active in Christian work as in their school duties. Two hundred and sixty girls have been enrolled, and kindergarten and normal work is carried on both here and in the Puebla school.

Puebla has been likewise subjected to changes in professors. Sickness among the girls and one of the teachers, brought added care and fatigue, and some disappointments, where better results were looked for, has made the year a hard one. It has had its bright side in the graduation of a class of five girls, all strong, earnest Christians from whom good service may be expected. The receipts from self-support steadily increase from year to year, and furnish means for the better equipment of the school, and the salaries of some of the teachers.

For some years past Pachuca has been the banner school of the Methodist Mission, and not only so, but of Protestantism in the entire Republic; this school enrolls over 400 children, and is now superintended by Miss Ida Bohannon. After the death of Miss Mary Hastings, who gave nearly twenty-three years of faithful, patient work in Pachuca, and saw this school grow from a mere handful of children to its present

dimensions, Miss Van Dorsten was sent to take Miss Hastings' place, and remained till May of this year, when she was married; then Miss Ida Bohannon took charge and had a successful year. The English department is entirely self-supporting under the care of Miss Hewitt. The assistant native teachers are largely graduates of the Pachuca school, and others are from Mexico City and Puebla, all trained Christian workers.

In Guanajuato Miss Dunmore's health has suffered at times during the year. The school has outgrown its present quarters, and it is difficult to rent a suitable building. For some years a new building, upon property already purchased by our Society, has been asked for; and now an additional missionary is needed to meet the necessities of the growing school. Spiritual interests never flag where Miss Dunmore has influence, and these girls are learning what true religion means. The first Temperance Loyal Legion in the country, was formed in this school and the scholars are organized into Epworth Leagues, with committees of mercy and help, introducing a new element of active unselfishness into their lives. One hundred pupils are now in attendance in this institution, twenty-three of whom are boarders.

Miraflores is situated not far from Mexico City. It is a mixed school supported by both the general board and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. It enrolls over 300 pupils and has a very large kindergarten department, under the care of Miss Sara Valverde, a graduate of our Mexico City school. Another graduate of the same school is Miss Concepcion Perez, who presides over another department. This young Christian girl has often taken the pastor's place and conducted the prayer meeting or Sunday school in his absence.

The work in Orizaba has been very encouraging this year, due to the faithful labors of Miss Ernestina Sanchez, also a graduate of the Mexico City school. She is a born teacher, and her sweet Christian character makes itself felt among her pupils. She visits the homes and secures the co-operation of the parents of her scholars; besides being most active in all departments of church work. Her pastor writes glowing reports of her efficiency in the congregation, Sunday school, prayer meeting and Junior league; and says that one such convert as Miss Sanchez is abundant compensation for years of work done by the Woman's Foreign Mission Society in Mexico City. An English department has recently been opened in charge of Miss Bumgardner, and the outlook is favorable for entering homes heretofore closed to Protestantism.

Ayapango is a little Indian village not far from the base of the snow covered volcanos of Popocatepetl and Ixtaccihuatl, and is rather cold in the winter, but the mission school is a flourishing one. For a number of

years it has been taught by graduates of the Mexico school, and the one now in charge is Miss Concha Estrada. The pastor's wife is also from the same institution and these both are in hearty sympathy with the Woman's Foreign Mission Society, and co-operate loyally.

The Society is supporting day schools in San Vincente, Tezontepetec, Apizaco, Panotla, and Tetela, but no statistics from these have reached us this season.

MRS. S. L. KEEN, *Official Correspondent.*

SOUTH AMERICA.

Woman's Work commenced in 1874.

Conference Organized, 1893.

MISSIONARIES.

*MARY F. SWANEY,
BERTHA E. KNEELAND.

*ELEANOR LE HURAY,
BELLE WAIDMAN,
*REBECCA J. HAMMOND.

ELIZABETH HEWETT,
*ELSIE WOOD.

*Home on leave.

Our faithful missionary in Montevideo, Miss Hewett, prefaces her report of school work as follows :—"Sometimes there are dark days in mission work, when one is tempted to ask if all this sacrifice of friends and home is of any use, or whether the Lord cares for our work, especially in Papal lands. When faith wanes and hope grows dim it is sweet to receive a message from one of His faithful ones who has been a longer time in this life of faith, and who, amid storms and trials that come into all lives, has 'kept the faith.'

"I think it is impossible for one at home to realize the difficult position of a missionary where Romish ideas have a strong hold on the minds of the people and the walls of opposition seem impregnable. The work is so quiet and there is so little to be written up for the home people, that our successes scarcely cause a ripple; and yet scarcely a day passes, but there are some indications that our work is not in vain. The work in Montevideo does great credit to our Society and is doing a grand work in preparing teachers for other schools. In order to secure patronage outside of our own church, we must offer superior advantages to those of the government schools, and we should each year strengthen and enlarge its influence, and raise the tone and standard of it."

At present the house is full, crowded, with no opportunity for additional numbers, and the many applicants must be refused admission. The property, when purchased, was only a private establishment, with

not a room of large dimensions, but it was equal to the demands at that time, was in fine location, and esteemed by men in business circles to be a very good *investment*. The grounds extend through from one street to another, running parallel to each other with street car lines on each, with intersecting lines, thus making it possible for the pupils to come to the door on the street cars, which is quite an item in this country where girls beyond fourteen years of age are not allowed on the street alone. We made no mistake in securing this property, even with the fact before us that we borrowed a large part of the money required, upon which we have paid six per cent. interest for several years. It has not only given us a *permanent* location, saving the great annoyance of looking for accommodations at any time when landlords might decide for higher rents on the *slightest* pretext, or none at all. And then added to this, the influence going out that this purchase means a permanent institution. And then we may state fearlessly that it has been an economical arrangement, up to the present time, but we are very desirous of seeing the present indebtedness cancelled and an additional building for this flourishing school. The estimates for 1901 include a new building and a hall or large assembly room for the entire school for chapel exercises in the morning and for the higher grades during the day, so that the room now used by them could be used by the English primary where three times the present number in that department could be accommodated. Many Spanish children enter this department to learn English and continue in the school for the entire course. And here is where we get a stronger hold on Roman Catholic children than in any other department. Then this hall is needed for graduating and closing exercises for which high rents must be paid. These public entertainments advertise the school, and also keep before the public the fact that the higher education of woman is making its way in this dark continent, and that the Christian religion uplifts her. Last year the school entertainment at the close of the year was a failure because we had no one room that would hold all the children. This year they rented the largest hall in the city and it was crowded to overflowing both nights. The first was filled with members of the school, and the second evening Dr. Drees addressed the graduating class. Last year we had room to seat only three more girls in the higher grade rooms; the Primary rooms, both Spanish and English were full. We had five boarders, putting two girls together in rooms that should only have one. This year I have promised seven, not knowing quite yet where I shall put them; three of these are scholarship girls, although we had room for only three more. Our enrollment was never higher than one hundred and twelve at any one time.

"A larger number than this came under the influence of the school,

but there are always changes, owing to the families removing from the city. In a city like this, we should have an enrollment of two hundred. The people began coming to us the first week of this vacation, asking us to enroll their children, and I have taken them provisionally, telling them I must give the old pupils the first chance, and then if there should be any room, they should be admitted. We have immense courts which if covered with a roof would accommodate many children. This sounds a far more simple improvement than it really is ; the roof would need to be of glass, otherwise the light would be cut off from the rooms. I know it is a great responsibility and care to look the fields all over, and decide from afar, which is the more pressing need." This informal communication gives us a most informational report of the present conditions of our work there, and what must be done if we would "lengthen the cords and strengthen the stakes" where the divine blessing has so signally attended our efforts from the beginning.

In Buenos Ayres the same conditions prevail as reported last year, poor accommodations for the school, small, dark recitation rooms—no possible chance for any increase of patronage. While we have been forced to diminish rent, and the usual agencies so essential to growth and prosperity in any school, other societies have been meeting the demands which were in former years largely supplied by us, specially among the poor. And we are now facing this fact, that we must have a building of our own, even if it involve a large outlay of funds, or we must abandon this large, promising field where we had a prominent place as pioneers, making a grand record of success, leaving it for others to reap the harvests of our early seed-sowing. Miss Waidman, who has been carrying this work in the absence of Miss Le Huray, home on furlough, reports about fifty pupils in the boarding school, twenty-two boarders, an Epworth League formed among the native girls. One of the graduates has received a diploma from the "city Normal school," this year which will entitle her to take the direction of any Normal school in the country, and this at a large salary, but she will remain in the school as a teacher, undoubtedly. Another will graduate from the kindergarten, and we hope to open one of our own next year.

The evangelistic work is represented by two Italian Bible-women who are beneficiaries of the Evangeline Perpetual Bible-woman's fund through the munificence of Mrs. Bishop Newman. Mention should be made of the Sunday school work ; as we have several of these in different parts of the city, Miss Le Huray writes : "I think it would be a safe estimate to say that the children registered in them number no less than twelve hundred, possibly more. These figures should be a stimulant to our somewhat wavering faith for the future of our work in this city."

Rosario has had a year of varied experiences. Early in the year came the "Plague" which for a time entirely isolated the city, no trains being allowed to enter a depot, and a military cordon was placed all around it. In March upon Miss Swaney's return it was still impossible to go out without a medical certificate. All schools were kept closed for some weeks, but later, after careful inspection of premises by sanitary officials, special permissions were given. Our building was in good condition and the only requirements made were for filters, and the free use of disinfectants in the frequent washing of floors. School was opened the middle of March with small numbers in the lower grades but larger in the higher, which is a good sign, as the little ones will come when the plague is over and the weather cooler. The charity school in San Luis has done very well. Thirty girls were refused admission to this school last year, from lack of space. Many poor girls are reached through this school. The school in the home known as the "Calle Comercio" meets with marked opposition on religious grounds. It does not equal the other in numbers, but its influence is more widely felt. In both schools alike the Bible is used as a text-book and a Sunday school is held in the morning in San Luis, and one in the afternoon in Comercio. The work in the home is the most satisfactory as the girls come more directly under our influence. In this department they are having the best year of the nine spent by Miss Swaney in the home; marked by Christian spirit in the household, a growth of Christian principle that is at once a *growth* and a *fruit*. Miss Kneeland arrived in Rosario May 25th, and had a most cordial welcome. She soon had a home feeling, and commenced on the new language with good courage, familiarizing herself with her new surroundings and associations, and had made some progress when Miss Swaney transferred the supervision of this work to her.

The power of the Gospel is just the same in Peru as in any other land. The girls who are growing up in the mission schools are all desirous of teaching and helping others. In the city of Callao there is an Epworth League with active work being carried on in every department, and nearly all the members are girls who are or have been in the schools.

There is a church almost altogether composed of the families of girls from the schools. At the time when news first came of the famine in India the girls from the Callao school earned and collected money to send to help India.

Last year they worked for months making articles of clothing and little simple fancy articles so as to arrange a Christmas treat for children poorer than themselves.

The children are *singing* the Gospel into many homes, the hymns

learned in the Sunday school and day schools. A company of *working* Christians is growing up from the day schools.

Mrs. Wood has taken charge of the superintendency of the work while her daughter is in this country for a vacation after eleven years.

L. A. ALDERMAN, *Official Correspondent.*

BULGARIA.

*Woman's Work Commenced, 1884.
Constituted a Mission Conference, 1892.*

MISSIONARIES.

KATE B. BLACKBURN,

DORA DAVIS.

ASSISTANTS.

AMELIA DIEM.

MISS RAICHAVA.

Work in the Loftcha school during the past year has been attended with many embarrassments. At an early date Miss Diem, Miss Blackburn's assistant, suffered from a serious and somewhat protracted illness. At a later period she retired permanently from the school to become the wife of a Methodist minister. Miss Raichava, the most experienced Bulgarian teacher in the institution, was also for a considerable period, and at the busiest portion of the school year, disabled on account of sickness. It was not practicable in Loftcha to secure satisfactory local substitutes for these teachers, and much of the work for which they had been caring devolved upon Miss Blackburn herself, while such temporary adjustments were arranged as would maintain the efficiency and excellence of the department of instruction. Although the work was exhausting and at times subject to many discouragements, the outcome was eminently satisfactory and the future prospect is encouraging.

Referring to the year's experiences, Miss Blackburn writes : "Though the work has been hard, and at times involving many perplexities, the stress which we felt has been relieved by many bright days, many delightful associations, and many hours of gladness, that will furnish sunny memories for the days to come. I am especially grateful for that measure of physical strength which I have enjoyed, and which has been adequate to my need, and for the grace which enabled me to discern a kindly providence in all those experiences which we sometimes call trials, which I had to undergo. Disappointments and perplexities have not resulted in discouragements or loss of faith. From first to last,

the presence of the Master has been with me, and I have realized that I was engaged in a blessed service."

Although somewhat jaded and worn at the close of the school year, she seems to have regained her accustomed vigor and with her usual enthusiasm anticipates the opening of a new year.

Ten young women were graduated in June—a larger class than any other since the school was organized. Some of these girls have been brilliant students and possess unusual mental endowments. Their intellectual training has been thorough and their religious teaching most earnest and faithful. There seems to be abundant reason to expect that their future lives will be given to the Master's service in whatever field His Providence may designate. Eight of these girls had been members of the Epworth League, and it will be difficult to make good to that organization the loss which it will sustain. In speaking of this graduating class, Miss Blackburn says :

"They were especially dear to me. Some of the girls first came to the school seven years ago. We had become so used to one another that we seemed to belong together. They were far from being faultless ; sometimes they were wayward, impatient or wilful, but I loved them very dearly and as the end of the school year was approaching and all of us began to realize that the time for a permanent separation was at hand, our hearts were touched with the most tender emotions. The night before commencement we held our usual class meeting, and as I urged the girls to be faithful to their religious convictions and loyal in their devotion and service to God, even when they missed their Christian surroundings and lacked the influence of a Christian home, I felt in my heart, they would each and all be kept through faith unto everlasting life, and that of these whom the Lord had given me, not one should be lost."

The primary department heretofore connected with this school has been discontinued. The increased attendance in the advanced classes rendered it necessary to use all the room for their accommodation. The closing of that department has not reduced the number of pupils in attendance, as the current enrollment exceeds that of previous years when the primary department was included.

The new students who were received last year, were as a class, especially bright and intelligent. With only such exceptions, as are incidental to every school constituency, it is expected that they will complete the course of study and in due time become alumni of the institution. New students will take the places made vacant by the graduating class and the outlook for the future is full of promise and encouragement.

The weekly class meeting led by Miss Diem and Miss Blackburn was

attended not only by the Protestant pupils, but also by many girls who came from Greek Catholic homes. These meetings were always interesting and were sometimes occasions of marked religious power and influence. All participated in the services of prayer and song and testimony, and apparently trusted in Christ as their personal Saviour.

During the year one of the graduates of 1899 was called from her earthly home to her heavenly inheritance. Her life had been consistent and devout, and those who ministered to her as she drew near to death, realized how "that peace of God which passeth human understanding," and of which she had learned in the Loftcha school, was able to comfort her even to life's close, and the hope which the Gospel had inspired was even in the hour of nature's dissolution, her confident and sufficient support.

The Government Minister of Education with some of his associates, made his official visitation to the school in April last. His coming was unannounced and unexpected. When the visitors arrived, the school was not in session, but the inspection of the building was thorough and extended from the cellar to the garret. Some of the girls were found in the kitchen, others in the dining rooms, and still others elsewhere through the house, but all were engaged in some domestic duties. This condition of affairs seemed to be unexpected, and while it passed without comment at the time, the fact that this arrangement met with approval was evidenced by the Minister's subsequent statement that he meant to institute similar methods in some of the government schools.

The retirement of Miss Diem made necessary the appointment of another missionary, to take the place of assistant to Miss Blackburn. Miss Dora Davis has been appointed to this service. That Miss Blackburn is hopefully awaiting her arrival and joyfully anticipating her assistance and her association may be confidently assumed.

When Bishop Vincent attended the annual Conference, he manifested special interest in our Loftcha work. His appreciation of it was emphatic, his counsel was helpful and his expressed sympathy was most encouraging, and in his attitude towards the Loftcha enterprise, the Bishop's judgment is supported by those who are most familiar with it. It is worthy of our most cordial and hearty support. Our representatives in this Mission are entitled to our sympathies, our prayers and to the encouragement of our loving words and kindest messages. May they receive from us all possible help in their efforts to advance the type of Bulgarian womanhood and crown that womanhood with the inestimable glory of Christian character.

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Official Correspondent.*

ITALY.

*Organized as a Conference, 1881.**Woman's Work Commenced, 1886.*

MISSIONARIES.

M. ELLA VICKERY,

IDA M. BOWNE,
LAURA E. BEAZELL.

EVA ODGERS,

There seems to be an impression among many Christian people that work in Papal countries is unnecessary. But no one who has seen Roman Catholicism where it has existed for centuries, and where it is the prevailing religion, but will concede that Roman Catholic countries are as legitimate fields for missionary work as are those more commonly called heathen. The people are in complete ignorance of the real teaching of the Scriptures. The catechism, the crucifix, the adoration of angels and of the Virgin Mary, the confessional, penances and purgatory, submission to the priesthood, and abundant contributions to the funds of the church—these are the things which are taught as essential to salvation. The vital question addressed to Paul by the heathen jailer, "What must I do to be saved?" And the reply, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved," form no part of the teaching of the Romish church.

There has been and doubtless are to-day, examples of high Christian living in the Roman Catholic church, and in this country we do not see the church in all its forms of error and superstition, therefore as a result the need for taking the gospel of Jesus Christ to Roman Catholic countries is not so impressed upon the Protestant church as it should be and the fact remains that they need the Gospel just as much as the Hindu or the Hottentot. Then surely it is our duty to carry to them a simple, pure and undefiled religion. A religion that cleanses and purifies the heart, that accepts Christ as the only mediator and the Holy Spirit as the comforter and guide. That the condition of women in Italy is not much better than that of India or China, let me quote from a letter written by the superintendent of missions, Dr. Burt: "It is not uncommon to find that the woman maintains the man; she works while he loiters; she carries the burdens while he goes empty handed; she walks while he rides; she goes without a hat or bonnet in order that he may dress well.

"As a young girl she can never be alone. Someone must always accompany her to and from school. She can never make or receive calls

except in the presence of others. She is never trusted. Then she passes under the influence and care of her confessor, on whom she shifts all moral responsibility. The result is that she has no self-respect, no individual character, and no independence of judgment or conscience. Hence, she is utterly unfit to assume the responsibilities of life. Her individuality is lost in the priest, who often exerts a greater influence over her life than father, brother, husband or children.

"Mariolatry in Italy is pure Paganism, both in its thought and practice, and in its results on the human character." Thus it behooves us to be as diligent in sending the gospel to Italy as to Mexico.

Miss Eva Odgers was sent early in the year to take charge of the girls' home school.

Our first educational work in Rome, the girls' home school continues to fulfill its work in educating the poorer classes, but is making advancement in every department and in every branch of work. At the yearly examination in the government school three of the girls were excused their examinations because of the high credits received during the year. Other students have received prizes for superior work done in their studies. A few of the girls through the kindness of friends in America have received instructions on the piano, and are now qualified to lead the music at the morning devotions in the school room, and at the weekly prayer meeting.

Miss Odgers is herself a trained kindergartener and has established a Normal kindergarten course, in which those who are adapted to the care of little ones can fit themselves to earn a livelihood when qualified.

During the school year there has been received from the families of the children and from friends, for the support of the school, for the maintenance of the children, to provide books, clothing, etc., nearly \$1200.

The Senior and Junior Leagues have continued their work under the instruction of Miss Bowne. This most useful and instructive means of teaching the Bible to our girls, together with the regular course of Bible instruction in the school will give them a very thorough understanding of what the Bible may become to them.

Miss Odgers says: "No serious illness has invaded our ranks this year. Some have left us. Of these, seven have returned to parents or friends. Umbertina, one of our older girls has gone to the work of the Isabella Creche and is giving excellent satisfaction; five have been removed through the influence of priests and nuns. Notwithstanding the fact that the hand of the Catholic church is continually outstretched against us and our work, to prevent its progress, we nevertheless, have more applications than we can accept, and as our school becomes more widely known its influence for good increases. The Isabella Creche,

the one outside of Porta Pia and one which we open here the first of October, in this densely populated part of the city, all need assistant workers ; and Christian girls who have been trained in our own school and under our church influence will be of great help in the work among the children and in the kindergarten. The Catholics realize the value of this and are starting schools in different parts of Rome for the care of the little ones, and we must be as wise as they in providing for our own children as well as for those who may come to us from Catholic homes. Trained Christian workers are what we need more than anything else. A beginning of this work was made this year in our home among the smallest of the children and little ones have entered into the kindergarten work with joy and profit. We hope that as this work grows, to interest the mothers of this vicinity in the development and education of the little ones.

The opposition to our work from priests and nuns still continues with unabated zeal and energy. They use every means to take our pupils from us and place them in a convent or under Catholic influences. Our hearts are often grieved by these continued efforts against us and our work, especially when some of our brightest and most promising pupils are induced to leave us; but we trust the seed sown in the hearts and lives of those intrusted to our care will not be lost. One of the little ones who had thus been taken from us and placed in a convent, was, on account of illness, removed to a hospital. She was permitted by her Catholic mother to visit us before entering the hospital, and, as we saw her wasted form we were moved with pity for this little one who was so well when she left us. Before going from us we had given her a little pocket Bible, but it was taken from her and burned. While there she was compelled to pray to the saints daily, but, she said that every evening after retiring she would say her prayers and repeat the verses of scripture she had learned in the school ; and so we feel encouraged to instil in the hearts and minds of our girls a greater knowledge of the Christian faith. If we can educate and christianize the women of Italy the men will be saved; and that the women are looking up, are seeking an education, is proven by the number who are seeking the benefits of Miss Vickery's school for the higher branches.

It may perhaps take longer to uplift those among whom we work, but they will be the stronghold of the Italian nation when once they are enlightened.

In September, Miss Laura A. Beazell of Indiana went to Rome to be associated with Miss Vickery in our Young Woman's College. Her experience among young women in this country as secretary of Young Women's Christian Association, her last official relations being secretary for the State of Wisconsin, had given her an admirable prepara-

tion for the work to which she has gone, and we feel that under her guidance many of the students will be won to the Master.

Following the order of last year, my report of the Methodist College for young women will be taken mainly from Miss Vickery's report, and if occasionally a name that seems personal may be expressed, I assure you there is no sense of pride, but rather of great unworthiness. Under date of September 20th Miss Vickery writes:

The 20th of September is a day of rejoicing in Rome, a day that marks a new epoch in Italian history—the Fourth of July of United Italy, a day especially sacred to Roman Protestants, since thirty years ago, on the 20th of September, they, for the first time, were allowed to worship inside the city walls, and for the first time Bibles were sold in the streets.

Five years ago Methodism chose this day for the consecration of its magnificent temple to the service of God and evangelization of Italy. This year it becomes a memorable day for Methodist women, for Crandon Hall, a beautiful realization of two years of thought and prayer, is to-day registered as the property of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Crandon Hall stands in the most elevated and choicest site in Rome. The building is of brick with white travertine trimmings, faces full south and is surrounded on three sides by a small garden. The large and shaded Via Veneto, the widest street and favorite drive in Rome, separates the garden from the Villa Ludovisi and American ambassador's home.

Its bright and harmonious coloring, its cheerful and home-like surroundings, which are in sharp contrast with the dismal convent schools, give a special charm to the building and attract the admiration of all who pass.

Over the central window is a large monogram of the letters W. F. M. S., and at the top, on either side of the U. S. Coat of Arms, in red letters, are the words "Istituto Crandon."—(Istituto instead of hall which cannot be translated into the Italian). The basement is given up to the kitchen, dining-room, pantries, laundry and gymnasium; the first floor is used for office, library, music and class rooms, and the other floors for the sunny and well ventilated dormitories. Eleven of the dormitories bear the names of the branches of the W. F. M. S.; New England, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cincinnati, North-Western, Des Moines, Minneapolis, Topeka and Pacific, Oregon, written in gilt letters, on a black tablet, and a majority of these branches have arranged to furnish their respective room. The library is called Newman Hall in memory of our deceased bishop; another room bears the name of Mrs. Dolly French of Chicago, a generous donor to the Institute, and the class rooms and office are named for the Districts of Indiana Conference. The building contains about fifty rooms, all of which can not be furnished until other generous friends help us with the enterprise.

In the entrance vestibulè are two mottoes : "NISI DOMINUS FRUSTRA (except the Lord be with us, our efforts will be fruitless) and MAGNA EST VERITAS, ET PRAEVALEBIT. (Truth is great and will prevail), and these will be the watchword of our faith and effort for the education of the girls who are entrusted to our care. The formal opening of the school in the new building will be on the 15th of October, and we ask especial prayer for the school and teachers on that day.

The results of the past school year are most satisfactory. Not only did we retain all the pupils of last year, but many new ones were enrolled, making a total of 148 ; 49 boarders and 99 day pupils.

These pupils represent the best element of Italian life and though Catholic by family tradition, are liberal and independent in their religious thought.

Our Elementary and High-School departments were honored by the visit of the Royal director of Studies for Rome, the Supt. of Public Instruction, and the Government Inspector of girls' schools, the whole commission gave unstinted praise to the pupils and teachers.

All the pupils presented for Government examinations passed on the first trial and five of our boarders received the Magistero diploma, the highest given to women in Italy.

These excellent scholastic results are due to the zealous and faithful co-operation of our corps of teachers; Signorine Dobelli and Mlle. Delord deserve especial mention for their thorough work and in addition to her regular French classes in the school, Mlle. Delord held weekly meetings in the Y. W. C. A. rooms, (the only French Protestant service in Rome) for the many Swiss and French governesses in the city. Having been accepted as an assistant missionary, Mlle. Delord becomes a permanent worker in Rome. Owing to the ill health of Miss Elizabeth Walden, the English department which was to have been entrusted to her care was given instead to the able direction of Miss Dorothea Hughes, a daughter of Hugh Price Hughes of London.

All branches of our work have received new impulse from the presence of our beloved Bishop Vincent in Europe.

This new property has been erected at a cost of \$50,000 and already cash offers have been made on its purchase for \$60,000, and in exchange for \$75,000. The news came to Miss Vickery repeatedly during the erection of the building, desiring to secure the property when completed.

The attention of the press of this country has been called to this work, by what agency I do not know, but articles and pictures concerning this school have appeared in secular papers of New York and Chicago, and a letter has been received from the manager of the Church Press Association of New York asking for a photograph of the building,

indicating that they desired to furnish items in the interest of this school to the general church press.

I commend this good work to you. Give it your thought and prayers and patronage. Commend it to others, especially to friends who may be planning visits to Rome. From those who have already visited this school, and have seen our new property, I hear only the highest praise of its conduct and of the outlook for it. Surely the work is of the Lord, or it would never have received so much of His favor.

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Official Correspondent.*

KOREA.

Woman's Work Commenced, 1885.

MISSIONARIES.

MRS. M. F. SCRANTON,	*MARY M. CUTLER, M. D.,	LULA E. FREY,
*LOUISA C. ROTHWEILER,	ELLA A. LEWIS,	MARY W. HARRIS,
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WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. G. H. JONES, *Chemulpo*, MRS. W. A. NOBLE, MRS. E. D. FOLWELL, *Peng Yang*.

*Home on leave.

SEOUL. Ewa Boarding School. Miss Paine writes: "Our present enrollment is fifty boarders and three day scholars.

The accommodations are very much improved, with the new dormitories; and we hope to have a much larger increase.

TAL SUNG. Miss Pierce took charge of the evangelistic work, during Mrs. Scranton's absence. She reports: "Six hundred and twelve houses are visited by our Bible-women and two thousand nine hundred and seventy-two persons have heard the Gospel Story."

There was great rejoicing when Mrs. Scranton returned to her home among her beloved Koreans in improved health. It is evident that some one must take part of the burden of a great work from her shoulders. It was thought by our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society workers, that our greater need for the present was a school for the training of our Bible-women.

In March the school was opened, and we have now fourteen who are earnestly studying the Bible.

PYENG YANG. *Dispensary.* Dr. Hall writes : "During the year we have treated two thousand seven hundred and fifty-seven cases in Dispensary and out-practice. One-twentieth of our patients attend church services, and one-seventh have been received as probationers.

My Bible-woman has made five hundred and sixteen visits in patients' homes and does as well as she knows how. Two hundred and forty-nine books and one hundred and ten calendars have been sold.

I am glad that the Society allowed us to build our Woman's Hospital. We are in great need of it, not only for the medical work, but we can make more room for the new evangelistic worker, for whom there is such an imperative need.

I made one country trip this year, one hundred miles to the north. The places I visited were in the vicinity of the gold mines. It is a hard place for Christian work. The mines draw the worst class, but our visit was blessed of God. By invitation nine homes were visited; and Gospel or a Catechism sold in most of them. The Edith-Margaret children's wards are completed and in use for the sick and blind.

Many duties have prevented me from making the progress I had hoped for in the blind work. However, I have continued the training of blind Pong Nai, whom I will use as a teacher. She can write now as well as read and has learned to sew and knit. She feels so much happier since she knows that she, too, has a work to do."

Dr. Hall is anticipating the arrival from the United States, of Dr. Esther Pak, as a help in the medical work in Pyeng Yang.

CHUMULPO. Mrs. Jones writes: "The day school has had the best year in its history. There are fourteen girls in regular attendance. Our Bible-women have done very efficient work, going from village to village, telling the people of Jesus and His love.

Mrs. Scranton writes : "You do not forget, I hope, that the two southern districts with their millions, are still unprovided for. They were not visited during my sixteen months absence, and my health since my return has not been such as to warrant the encounter with the difficulties and hardships of so long a country trip. The Bible-women go and do the best they can, but the presence of the foreigner is greatly needed to insure the largest success."

We are most thankful to be able to look forward to the coming of our Esther, Dr. Pak and Miss Estey, whom I hear has also been appointed to Korea.

We started a Bible-woman's training school last April here at Tal Seung. Miss Pierce has it in charge, and is doing much to prepare the women for greater usefulness.

There is another line of work which I have much at heart and which

I am specially anxious to promote, that is *country day schools*. On my itinerating trips, I have frequently visited villages where not a single woman could be found who knew how to read. In other places I found occasionally one or two who could with difficulty make out the words, but never in a single instance have I been able to discover a really good reader. Our Bible-women are teaching these poor, ignorant ones as they have opportunity, but their districts are large, and their visits to the many towns and villages, are not frequent. We must have better means of instruction. We cannot allow the girls of the church to grow up as ignorant as their mothers. We ought to have fifty day schools in Kong-chu and Lu-won districts alone.

I wish somebody would do for Korea what Dr. Goucher did in India, and give us the opportunity to establish these schools, and that right early. They would be an unspeakable blessing to our people and would be the means, as we believe, of bringing hundreds and thousands into the church.

Does it seem to you, as you read of these wants, about which I so freely write, that I am forgetting to be thankful for what the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has done for this little country? Indeed, this is not so. I *cannot* forget as long as I have eyes to see, and ears to hear, the wonderful things your money, with God's blessing, has wrought in this land, and it is just because you have dealt so generously with us in the past, that I now have confidence to tell you of other needs.

Do not forget that it is just sixteen years since you commissioned and sent forth your first missionary, to do the little in her power for the women of Korea. I am sure that to all eternity I shall praise God that He put it in your heart to confer upon me so great a privilege.

I have no words with which to describe the darkness encountered in the early days of our work here. It was a darkness to be "felt," and there were no "lights" in any of the dwellings. To-day, there are little companies of believers scattered here and there, all over the land who can say, "The Lord is my light and my salvation." There are 4,000 members of our church alone, at least half of whom are women. There are thirty-three little churches (most of them very humble ones, it is true) where God is publicly worshiped, each Sabbath. An average of more than 1,300 are gathered in our Sunday Schools. In six Hospitals and Dispensaries treatment for both body and soul is daily administered. In twenty-five schools of different grades, hundreds of children, as well as young men and young women, are being taught something about the world in which they live, and at the same time instructed in the truths of the Gospel. You will heartily rejoice with us in all this which "God hath wrought," and as we sing our Te Deum together, can we not unitedly pledge ourselves to more giving and doing than in the days which are past? From

the Home-land *must come the silver and the gold*. We who are here, will anew consecrate ourselves, body, soul, and spirit, time, talents, all we have, and all we are, to the advancement of Christ's Kingdom in Korea. Surely before such an alliance as this, darkness will flee away. "The desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose. It shall blossom *abundantly*, and rejoice even with joy and singing."

MRS. H. B. SKIDMORE, *Official Correspondent*.

AFRICA.

Woman's Work Organized, 1899.

MISSIONARIES.

CORA ZENTMIRE,

JOSEPHINE MEKKELSON.

In June, 1895, Bishop Taylor visiting the missions in East Angola District, proposed to have built at once a mission house, on the side of Quessua mountain, for the training of African girls for Christian service.

He drew the plans for a home facing the west, so that all the rooms could be flooded with sunshine once every day.

A picture of this house was given in the *April Friend*. The place is six miles from Malange, an important mission station, three hundred and fifty miles from the coast, and at an elevation of five thousand feet above the sea, a very healthful location for Africa.

Miss Hilda Larson, a deaconess of the general society, had long conducted the orphanage alone. In June, 1899, Miss Zentmire joined her, and here for the last year these good women have cared for their large family of African girls.

As there were not funds in hand to open new work on the east coast, and Miss Larson needed to come home, Miss Mekkelson's appointment was changed from Mhambane to Quessua. After many detentions and varied experiences Miss Mekkelson reached her destination late in the summer. The children trooped down the mountain side, and welcomed their new teacher with shouts of joy. There are only fifteen of them now, but when we can give them more room the numbers will be doubled.

A more lonely field one could hardly imagine. In the heart of Africa, surrounded by serpents, hyenas and other wild beasts, but worse still, men so depraved that they are banished from their native land, these brave missionaries are building temples for God in the hearts

of his little ones, committed to their loving care. Whatever else we fail to pray for, let us be true to these far off sentinels in the Dark Continent. Bishop Hartzell considers this one of the most important and promising fields in all Africa.

MRS. M. S. HUSTON, *Official Correspondent.*

REPORT OF THE WORK IN SWITZERLAND, NORTH AND SOUTH GERMANY.

We are glad to report, in our Swiss Conference, a small increase in the receipts. Our Swiss Conference Secretary has had to work under great difficulties. Her mother, who has been such a great help to her in her home, was called to the mansions above, and now the entire burden lies on her shoulders. She is a sweet singer and a gifted poet and is called far and near to assist in sacred concerts in our church and of others. It is very uncommon in that country for a woman to be as busy in church work as she is.

The interest in our work is increasing. I am greatly encouraged by the fact that more literature has been ordered this year than ever before. Thalweil is still the banner auxiliary with a contribution of \$86, a large sum, if we remember the small incomes of our people there. This auxiliary shows what one consecrated woman can do.

In South Germany there is a small decrease to be recorded. The secretary had sickness in her home and was unable to attend to her duties. The treasurer writes: "How swiftly this year has passed away! and how much cause do I find to give thanks to Him, who has deemed us worthy to work a little for Him. Even if this work has not always brought special fruit financially, there is another, more spiritual result, for which we are no less grateful. Perhaps I may be permitted to mention two instances of this which occur to me just now. One day a poor, weak sister, a member of our auxiliary, brings me one mark (25 cents), as a special gift for our treasury. I know that she can earn hardly anything and am much surprised at the gift, which is large for her circumstances. Then the sister tells us, that she has just called on her physician, and was taking the prescription to the drug store, when the thought came to her that she had better give the money intended for the medicine to the Lord, that He would surely make her well without it, if it was His will. So the mark went into the mission box instead of to the druggist. The Lord has not forsaken this sister in her childlike faith. Another time I received three marks from another member of our auxiliary. In

the course of conversation it transpired that she had saved this money to buy a piece of clothing that she was in great need of. Meantime she read of the dreadful famine in India, and now she could not conscientiously use this money for herself as long as she had not done anything for these sufferers. It seems to me, that such mites are surely of especial value in the sight of our Lord."

Our secretary in the North German Conference shows great interest and zeal. She deplores the decrease in their receipts, but says in explanation, that our members are burdened more heavily every year with the running expenses of the church, and that they wished to do something extra this year on account of the 50th anniversary of the M. E. Church in Germany and Switzerland, and for the 20th century thank-offering, so our work had to suffer. But here also there is a greater call for literature, and this gives me hope that in the future more will be done.

This secretary sends an earnest request that Miss Rothweiler be sent to travel in the German and Swiss Conferences. "Surely," she writes, "if a missionary were to come, our people would be more interested in the work."

We are very glad of the educating influence of this work on our sisters. They have taken more interest in the affairs of the far east than they would have done, had they not been members of the W. F. M. S., and many an earnest prayer for the deliverance of our missionaries in China ascended to the Throne, and joyfully they received the tidings of the release of our dear ones in Peking. What a bond of Christian love was created through the peril of these missionaries! Every Christian in every denomination was interested in those shut in by the rebellious Chinese, and prayers ascended and faith was strengthened when, in spite of all contradictory reports, the besieged were succored.

Our Bible-women are doing good work, some under difficulties which cannot be understood in this country. The congregations and pastors appreciate the help given them, and letters of thanks have come into our hands. To those cities, where their work is needed most urgently, we cannot send them, because it would cost more than we would think best to appropriate for the purpose, but in the factory-towns, where a few of them are working, the good they are doing to the young women, the sick, and the poor, will only be known when we reach the realms above.

We very much regret that we have lost a few of our Methodist girls who wished to become missionaries, but could not pay for their training. They have offered their services to other missionary boards.

This year has been a jubilee year for Germany. Fifty years ago the

first Methodist minister was sent there, and the great things which God has wrought in these fifty years, inspire us with hope that the small seed of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society sown in these countries, will also grow and bring rich fruit in the future.

PHILIPPINE F. ACHARD,

Superintendent German Work.

Report of Home Work.

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The fiscal year 1900 has been for the New England Branch one of unceasing care, heavy responsibility, earnest prayer, tried faith, and conscious blessing, with abundant cause for gratitude and thanksgiving.

No great numerical increase in organizations or members to gladden our hearts is reported, but faithfully, perseveringly have the workers been laboring, strengthening our borders, if not enlarging them, realizing more fully as each mile stone is reached, that our effort and toil is for Him "whose we are and whom we serve," and not for *time* only, but for *eternity*.

Patient continuance in well-doing has been the rule among Conference and District Secretaries, and the cheerful performance of their many duties has contributed largely to the success of our work in all departments.

The Annual Meeting was held in Springfield. The Branch Annual Meeting for 1883 was held in this city, and as we glanced over the audiences we were profoundly impressed with the great changes wrought in the intervening seventeen years. Most of those who gathered with us then, rest from their labors, but their *works* do follow them. They bequeathed a goodly inheritance of activity, and consecrated zeal for the spread of the gospel to the ends of the earth, and a grand company of workers are still carrying the banners, and striving to keep the interests of *this* work advancing.

Conference and camp-meeting anniversaries have been planned with care, and have been occasions of increased interest and profit. District Associations are proving a fruitful source of unifying and strengthening the members, who come together to compare notes, discuss plans for arousing an interest among the indifferent and disinterested in our churches.

Our depot of supplies with its wide-awake agent has made a very fine record, and the increasing patronage shows the appreciation on the part of the workers of this branch of service.

Early in the year Miss Knowles returned to Calcutta to find the matter settled that Darjeeling, despite the great disaster that had visited this locality, seeming for the time to threaten the entire abandonment of this station, and the removal of the school which had made such a noble record in the brief years of its history, was to remain the permanent site for the future, and that she was to resume her labors as head of the Arcadia Girls' School.

The circulation of the Woman's Friend has not increased as we desired.

Dr. Sheldon is prosecuting our work just as efficiently and loyally as when she was on a salary, paid from our treasury. We claim her as

among our family of missionaries, receive reports from her, furnish her with medicines for her work, and do what she asks us to do. She is now proposing to have all the Bible-women on a self-supporting plan.

Miss Kneeland, who for nine years had been giving herself to a thorough preparation for mission work, with South America as her chosen field, left for Rosario in early April to take the place of Miss Swaney. Miss Harvey, who has been giving loving, consecrated service in the "home" field, going up and down, in and out through different sections of our territory, encouraging and strengthening auxiliaries and bands, organizing new ones and infusing life and energy, has resulted in immediate fruitage in many places, and the "shouting of the vintage," will show a more abundant harvest. She is to assist Miss English in the Bareilly Orphanage. Miss English made a special appeal, for this appointment, which was *approved* by Bishop Parker and endorsed by official authorities as required, so she goes to her *loved India*, where her heart has been for these waiting years, with the earnest prayers and loving sympathy of a host of friends who will daily remember her when they "go in unto the King."

Our *sisters* of the Pacific Branch were disappointed by the failure of a candidate who was to go to the assistance of Miss Marks in Ajmere. Feeling very confident our own Miss Holman was eminently fitted for just the work to be done where there were so many famine sufferers to be cared for, I proposed to loan her to that Branch, in the existing emergency, hoping all the while that we may be able in the no distant future to recall her to our Branch family.

Word has been received from Miss Glover under date of September 22d, that she had been requested to return to Tientsin, but no particulars, as it was a telegram. She states also that a place had been or could be secured in Japan for the school in Peking, but nothing *definite*, and we must await the decision or recommendations from Mrs. Jewell and the authorities there.

Grateful mention we gladly make of the services rendered by our missionaries during the year. Bishop and Mrs. Parker's visit of a few weeks was a real benediction and inspiration, as were also the visits of Miss Blackmore, Miss Stephens and Sooboonagam Annal, Dr. Butler, Misses Cushman, Young and others.

Great disappointment came to very many hearts that Miss Singh could not fill the appointment made for her in the spring.

Misses Young, Lee, Croucher and Todd are home on furlough, and we have four candidates officially approved, ready for service in any field, when circumstances will justify their appointment.

Our department of supplies is increasingly helpful. No part of our

work is more important than the circulation of our literature, and we rejoice over the advance made during the year on some lines, and deeply regret the failure to measure up to our assignment, in order to meet the increase of subscribers to the *Missionary Friend*.

MRS. L. A. ALDERMAN.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance October 1, 1899.....	\$ 2,344.54
Receipts from Oct. 1, 1899 to Oct. 1, 1900, including \$4,000.00 previously reported.	37,213.96
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	\$39,558.50

DISBURSEMENTS.

India.	\$12,075.00
Malaysia	1,280.00
Korea.....	1,350.00
Japan.....	3,217.00
China.....	7,321.29
Bulgaria	290.00
Italy.....	403.35
South America.....	1,954.00
Mexico.....	1,950.00
Home salaries, out-going and home-coming expenses of missionaries.....	1,891.60
Miscellaneous....	3,043.40
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	\$34,775.64
Balance, October 1, 1900.....	\$ 4,782.86

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The New York Branch closes its thirtieth year with thanksgiving and praise. Every Conference reports an advance in receipts, in membership, and organizations.

When we look over the records of the year, we can only say the people had a mind to work, and the Lord has been with them to strengthen and bless their efforts.

To our Conference and District officers great commendation is due ; and we never forget that our success depends also upon the faithful service and sacrificing gifts of good women in the Auxiliaries, whose names we do not know, but we are sure God knows all about them.

There has been a large increase in special work. Some of the auxiliaries have assumed the support of missionaries.

Miss Moyer reports her safe arrival in Calcutta, and Miss Dreibelbies in Kiu Kiang. Miss Plumb was appointed to Foochow by the Reference Committee. Miss Estey and Miss Hammond to Korea.

We believe the difficulties in China will be adjusted under the overseeing hand of God, and that our work there will be upon a broader and stronger basis than before. We are very thankful that all of our missionaries came safely through the perilous times, sustained under the great strain by the unfailing arm of the Lord.

We owe much of the inspiration in our work to the visit of Miss Thornburn and Miss Singh, and to Miss Grace Stephens and Sooboonagam, who have made very real to us our orphans and the beautiful Home built for them by the Thank Offering of our Branch.

Our Branch Headquarters, and depot of supplies grow increasingly valuable to us in all departments of our work, both in the home and foreign side. Missionaries coming and going, from all the Branches, find there a welcome, and assistance in whatever they may need from our Office Secretary.

The use of our literature increases, and we feel this is one of the most important means of advancing the interest of the Society.

The circulation of the *Woman's Friend* has not increased as we desired, and we hope to give greater attention to this in the coming days.

The increase in the *Children's Friend* and *The Study* is very encouraging.

MRS. H. B. SKIDMORE.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts for Famine Relief.....	\$ 2,486.85
“ “ Thank Offering.	11,356.01
“ “ Branch Contingent Fund.....	1,841.57
“ “ Foreign Appropriations	49,318.63

Total receipts from October 1, 1899 to
October 1, 1900.....\$65,003.06

Total Disbursements from October 1, 1899
to October 1, 1900..... 68,162.32

Foreign Disbursements for 1900.

India and Malaysia.....	\$31,526.39
China.....	12,516.53
Japan.....	8,075.00
Korea.....	4,140.90
South America.....	5,129.00
Mexico.....	1,535.00
Rome.....	2,652.70
Bulgaria.....	190.00
Norway.....	50.00
Africa.....	20.00

Total Foreign Disbursements.....\$65,835.52

Branch Contingent Fund..... 2,326.50

Total Disbursements.....\$68,162.02

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The Spirit of Prayer that came into more active exercise through Philadelphia Branch, in the spring of 1899, when under apprehension of financial difficulty, did not cease when relief was given ; but has continued through the present year. As we came together at the Annual Meeting one said to another, "I never prayed more for the work and the Annual Meeting than I have this year." And the Lord hearkened and answered ; we have received the blessing promised to united prayer. The meeting at Wilmington will long be remembered as a marked time, from the communion service in the earliest hours of the convention, till at the close we gathered round the altar, and in earnest prayer sought direction for the work of the year, and gave ourselves afresh to Him for service, with love unfeigned.

Our Treasurer's report was heard with so glad a surprise, that for a little while our lips were silent from the wonder, humility, and thanksgiving that filled our hearts. Our Father had given us above what we had asked or thought. Our Thank Offering service had been accepted ; God had touched the hearts of the people, and their free will gift was nearly \$4000 beyond the limit we had placed, with what we then thought, was a great stretch of faith. We were truly a happy, thankful company. This success was not achieved by any one supreme brilliant effort, but all partook of the thankful spirit, from the Secretary having in charge the Thank Offering in the Branch, through all the officers to the members of auxiliaries, who worked willingly and diligently. It is true that certain parts of the territory had been stimulated by the eloquence and personality of Miss Singh, and the clear arguments and holy consecration of Miss Thoburn, but their appeals fell upon willing and prepared hearts. There were constant and earnest prayers offered from many closets, in the hidden country village, and the noisy, busy city. When the gifts of the year were gathered in, we were able to send \$14,157 as our Thank offering from Philadelphia Branch. Besides this and the amount sent to meet the appropriations, we have also forwarded \$2,632 for famine relief. All things come from our Father, and of His own only have we brought. Humbly we give thanks for the opportunity to show Him our love. Conference Secretaries, and District Secretaries, Conference Treasurers and auxiliary members, the children and the Branch officers have scattered precious seed of prayer, consecration and work, and the Lord of the harvest has given the increase,

The Branch has sent two missionaries to the foreign field. Dr. Esther Pak who has been preparing in the Women's Medical College in Baltimore under Mrs. Stevens' faithful, motherly care, sailed in August to her native Korea. Shortly before leaving, one of our Pittsburg ladies took her to Mountain Grove Camp-Meeting, where her soul received a fresh

anointing from above for the Master's work. We hope much, not only from her scientific preparation in medicine, but from her own strong individuality, that all being consecrated to Christ, His Kingdom may be helped through her. One year ago the Branch anticipated sending Miss Williams to the Memorial School at Tientsin ; but the terrible events of the last summer in China, and the consequent closing of that work in the city, made this step unadvisable ; and she is about leaving for Baroda, India, to assist Miss Spears who is now alone with the care of an Orphanage of four hundred girls.

Dr. Hodge, after five years' service in the midst of tropical diseases, plague and cholera, and an experience of two famines, returns to this country ; and we trust some one may soon be found to fill her place. Miss Matilda Spencer is remaining with us another year, and is helping the cause at home as far as lies in her power. Miss Loyd of Mexico has since March, been seeking health in her own home in Ohio, and Miss Purdy from the same mission is at home during the fall vacation of the Puebla School.

Dr. Benn is still in Tientsin, having passed through the horrors of siege and battle, and like some other of our courageous women missionaries, who could not carry their work away with them, has remained to protect the Chinese native Christians, so helpless in these times of bitter persecution. Miss White with the other ladies on the Yangtse river received orders from the Consuls to leave their stations and take refuge in other countries, or where speedy escape was possible. At last writing she was with Miss Seeds in Fukuoka, Japan. More recent reports inform us that she has returned to China and is now in Shanghai. Dr. Hu writes from Foochow: "I am glad some of us can stay at home to give comfort to those who need it." Many who proposed to go away or send their families to the mountain villages, when they found she remained, settled down in peace. She writes that some women have rebound their feet, that they may not be recognized as professing Christians ; while there are some who blame such action she kindly says "I do not blame them. St. Paul shrank from the thorn in the flesh and besought the Lord three times that it might be taken from him ; why should not these poor women shrink ? Let us pray that they may learn how to fully trust their dear Saviour." She has had a successful year in her hospital work, but very much needs a new and commodious building.

The work of our other missionaries has been earnestly carried on, and truly some of them have been in labors abundant. Miss Spears in Baroda, has had not only famine conditions to struggle with, but again and again through the year severe and fatal sickness has entered the school. Measles complicated with pneumonia, dysentery, small-pox and cholera

have proved too strong for the constitutions weakened by the famine of three years ago, as well as those enfeebled in the present distress. In no part of the country has this last dearth been more severely felt than in the Bombay Conference, and every member of it has been under a great strain. For some outside of our Women's Board it has proved fatal.

Are we feeling with the deep, true sympathy of sisters for those who are literally bearing the burden and heat of the day? Can we put ourselves in their places, and with heart and mind enter into their labors, with ingenuity on stretch to ease their burden, and make their efforts successful? In every part of Asia each one of our missionaries is doing work that should be divided among three or four; they appeal to us for help. We think we are doing all we can, but are we? Should not our faith claim the multiplying effect upon our time and strength that Jesus gave to the loaves and fishes by Galilee's sea? Paul said "I can do all things through Christ strengthening me." Let us say with Charles Wesley:

"Oh! stretch our faith's capacity
Wide and yet wider still."

MRS. S. L. KEEN.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

September 30, 1899.	Balance on hand.....	\$ 7,544.40
	Total receipts for year.....	43,895.09
	Grand total.....	\$51,439.49
	Disbursements.....	\$46,436.47
October 1, 1900.	Balance.....	\$ 5,003.02

DISBURSEMENTS.

India.....	\$12,517.35
China.....	3,889.12
Japan.....	4,080.00
Korea.....	1,372.50
Bulgaria.....	300.00
Italy.....	328.00
Mexico.....	4,670.00
South America.....	420.00
Traveling expenses of Missionaries.....	1155.00
Salaries of Missionaries at home.....	607.50
Two thousand mite boxes.....	94.50
Marathi Edition Woman's Friend.....	250.00
Special gift to Mary Reed.....	10.00

FROM THANK OFFERING.

Woman's Lucknow College	5,388.00
Baroda Orphanage.....	3,000.00
Montevideo	2,861.25
Cawnpore Girls' School.....	2,861.25

FROM FAMINE FUND.

Famine Relief Fund.....	2,632.00
Total disbursements	\$46,436.47
Balance October 1, 1900.....	5,003.02

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“Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might,” has been the watchword throughout this little Branch for the year just closed, and we came to our annual meeting in beautiful Mt. Vernon Place Church, Baltimore, Oct. 10-12, our hearts filled with thanksgiving to Him who had

wrought with us and crowned our efforts with success. "The best year in our history" was the congratulation passed from lip to lip as we separated, and turned cheerfully to the unknown, relying upon the promise—"Lo! I am with you, even unto the end of the world." There has been a gratifying increase in number of auxiliaries and members, and best of all a more wide-spread realization of the sacredness of the trust committed to our hands. Auxiliary meetings have had larger attendance, and quarterly meetings, as well as district annuals, have been times of refreshing and power. More money has come into the treasury than ever before, and never so large an amount through mite boxes; Washington District alone contributing through this channel \$700. There has been a generous response to the cry of the starving in India, and we have fully met our appropriation of the Twentieth Century Thank Offering for the current year.

We make grateful mention of help received from Misses Thoburn and Singh, Miss Maskell, Miss Griffith, Miss Stephens and Sooboona-gam Ammal and Miss Cushman, Dr. and Mrs. Rudisill. Nor would we overlook the dear missionaries that have so faithfully reported to patrons their special work.

Five missionaries are our standard bearers in the foreign field, and we hope soon to add one to the number.

Miss Gallimore finds it necessary to ask for health furlough, and Miss Lewis of Korea, will accept what has been repeatedly offered—a home furlough.

MRS. E. B. STEVENS.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance, Oct. 1899.....	\$	3,679	11
Receipts from Oct. 1st, 1899, to Oct. 1st, 1900.....		12,308	72
	\$	15,987	83
Disbursements	\$	13,409	11
Balance Oct. 1st, 1900.....	\$	2,578	72
Twentieth Century Thank Offering.....	\$	2,510	40

DISBURSEMENTS.

INDIA.	North	\$	1,400	00
"	Northwest		785	00
"	South		2,175	00
"	Bombay		280	00
	Total for India.....	\$	4,640	00

CHINA.	North	107 00
"	Central	135 00
"	Foochow	1,650 00
"	Hing Hua	225 00
Total for China		\$ 2,117 00
JAPAN.	North	300 00
"	Central	2,470 00
"	South	228 00
Total for Japan		\$ 2,998 00
KOREA		\$ 1,305 00
ITALY		200 00
MEXICO		70 00
		\$ 11,330 00
Passage and Outfit of Missionaries		\$ 307 00
Lucknow College		200 00
On Account of Salaries and Expenditures of Missionaries..		396 76
Miscellaneous		1,175 35
Total		\$ 13,409 11

MRS. H. C. TUDOR, *Treasurer.*

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"According to Dr. Young we take no note of time but from its loss." This may be true to some people but not to the corresponding secretary who has to prepare reports and "note" the months and quarters, and years. It seems but yesterday the story of 1899 was called for, and now the same office is required for its successor, before we turn to face the responsibilities of another year. As a Branch, God has been good to us. Faithful effort has brought rich returns in an increased membership as well as financial gain. From officers and private members there has been most willing co-operation in all plans proposed to advance the work and prepare for greater achievements in the future. In their travel to and fro our missionaries have been preserved on land and sea, and even in the midst of war's alarms in China, through weeks of anxious waiting for news, our representatives have been kept as "Under the shadow of the Almighty." The health of Branch, conference, and district officers has been mercifully preserved, so there has been no break in the long line of

service at home or abroad. As the reports of the conference secretaries were received, one after another recounting difficulties overcome, and hindrances removed, in strange ways sometimes, but so plainly not *one way*, when seeming defeat ended in victory, with full hearts the ascription of praise was given, "Not unto us, not unto us but to *Thee* be the glory, Oh! Lord, our strength and our Redeemer."

In the home field we have had cause for thankfulness. The gain in membership, the increasing lists of subscribers, the willing gifts to Branch, the Twentieth Century offering, the successful district conventions and enthusiastic conference anniversaries, are not all these treasured in the book of remembrance and with them the joyful consciousness that in doing this work we have been co-working with God for the redemption of the world, a blessed partnership that draws us nearer Him. Dr. Donahue's work of Branch organizer has been very successful. Besides building up old work she has organized new auxiliaries, received pledges for \$2,000 for Twentieth Century Thank Offering, added several hundred new names to our membership and scattered mite boxes by the thousands. In Mrs. Sherwood we have a very enthusiastic mite box secretary, and the year's report shows \$4,024, received in this way. A number of bequests have enriched our treasury, aggregating \$3,000. Our society publications show an increase over last year of 627. But as only one in every seven of our membership takes the Friend there is still room for improvement. The annual Branch meeting was held at East Liverpool, and was a large gathering, overflowing with enthusiasm from the opening session to the close. New organizations and Twentieth Century members were reported in each conference. Most of the subscriptions cover two years and will be reported and increased during the coming year. Nor did our true yokefellows forget the other side of the compact, to work and pray for the conversion of souls *at home*. In the great forward movement of our Church we stand pledged to do our full part in service in the local churches, and above all in earnest prayer the God may pour out on our own land a wonderful visitation of the power of the Holy Ghost. For this we must work, and for this we must pray, and thus also will we be better fitted for work in our chosen field.

Twenty-eight missionaries are on the field. Misses Frey, Thoburn, Russell and Wisner have returned to their respective fields. Miss Sellers reached home in March and expects to return in November. Miss Kidwell reached home a month ago. Dr. Anna Norton and Miss Luella Anderson, who were sent to self-supporting work which failed to be realized, have been added to our list of workers. Three of our waiting candidates have been sent by other Branches. And so we close the record of another year. God has been very good to us. If we have felt

discouraged, and wondered if our labor had been in vain, if ever in all the years of effort we had thought the time had come to lay down this trust so surely placed within our hands, we would bow our heads in shame this day. Summing up the work of the past year and adding thereto the blessed years of past service, when God was better to us than our fears, we can with the greatest confidence say to the other women of our Israel, "Let us *go forward*."

MRS. B. R. COWEN.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts—Balance, Oct. 1, 1899	\$ 470.76
Received from Mrs. Kunz, cash.....	47,266.34
Vouchers.....	5,007.61
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	\$ 52,273.95
Total receipts.....	\$ 52,744.71
Total disbursements	51,489.25
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Balance on hand, Oct. 1st, 1900.....	\$ 1,255.46

DISBURSEMENTS.

Total for India.....	\$ 19,125.00
Total for China.....	5,950.00
Total for Japan.....	6,100.00
Total for Korea.....	2,800.00
Total for Mexico.....	3,675.00
Total for Italy.....	250.00
Total for Manila.....	1,500.00
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	\$ 39,400.00
Home salaries.....	\$ 1,812.50
Expenses of Missionaries.....	2,455.69
Vouchers.....	5,007.61
Miscellaneous.....	2,813.45
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Total.....	\$ 51,489.25

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"Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all."

"Now, therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name."

"All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee."

With this song of praise and thanksgiving does the Northwestern Branch present its report, in this year of grace 1900.

A serious situation confronted the Branch at the beginning of the fiscal year of 1899-1900. Although the financial obligations of the Branch had been met there remained in the treasury but thirty-five dollars, and nine missionaries were ready for service and were awaiting orders. In our extremity it was determined to devote a week to special self-denial and prayer in order that the results of our sacrifices might increase the receipts of our treasury, and that in answer to our prayers, God would pour out upon us the overflowing riches of his grace. Special services were appointed for a week, and a leaflet setting forth the object of the meetings to be held and suggesting topics appropriate for these services was issued and distributed throughout the Branch. As a proof that these services were seasons of great spiritual profit, permit me to quote a few paragraphs from the reports of the conference secretaries.

"Wherever self-denial week has been observed, the most gracious results have been realized. In many of our auxiliaries, the suggestion of this special service was adopted with enthusiasm and delight. In many instances the week proved to be a special season of spiritual refreshment. The meetings which were led by the young women are frequently referred to as being occasions of great power and triumph."

Another report says:

"How much I wish that I could adequately report the meetings which were held during our week of self-denial and prayer. The services were a delight to all and greatly deepened the interest which is felt in mission work. At the close we had our little "service of rejoicing," when the little brown envelopes which contained the tangible results of our self-denial were collected and the contents were counted. It was not difficult to state the money value of those envelopes, but the value of the week's services to all who participated in them has no arithmetical equivalent."

Still another says: "These meetings have done much to emphasize the interest in the missionary cause. Altogether aside from the question of how much was contributed to the missionary enterprise, the beneficial influence of these services is inestimable."

And again: "Of all the precious experiences of the year, those connected with the week of prayer and self-denial have been most helpful and comforting. The money contributions were small, much smaller than many of us expected, but in increased spiritual power, in emphasizing our love for each other, in deepening and broadening the spirit of our worship, and in promoting an interest in the salvation of sinners everywhere, these services were of priceless value."

The financial result, \$5,257.97 was by no means an insignificant item, but the spiritual results can never be counted until eternity dawns.

The appeal for the famine sufferers did not go unheeded and \$4,242.30 was the response made to India's starving people.

Thirteen missionaries have been commissioned by and sent forth by the Northwestern Branch.

The first name on the new muster roll is Miss Manning, who comes to us from Belmont, Canada. She sailed for Chung King just prior to the time of the 1899 Branch meeting, and after reaching the mission station was transferred to the Des Moines Branch, which is now responsible for her support. Next in order are the names of Miss Decker and Dr. Ketrings, who were also assigned to Chung King. Miss Rowley was sent to Nanking, and Dr. Emma E. Martin and her sister, Miss Lizzie Martin, to Peking. Within ten days after their arrival, the assault upon the foreigners was inaugurated and they, with the rest of the foreign contingent, endured the trials which attended that internecine war.

Miss Ewers was appointed to Bombay, and is engaged in Deaconess work in connection with the Bombay Memorial Church. Miss Brouse went to the Woman's College at Lucknow and the reports which are received concerning her success are most gratifying. Miss McKinley accompanied Miss Knowles to the mission at Darjeeling.

The marriage of Miss Van Dorsten necessitated the securing of another principal for the mission school in Pachuca, Mexico, and to this work Miss Bohannon has been appointed. Additional help was needed in the mission at Rome, and Miss Eva Odgers and Miss Laura Beazell have been sent to that work; the former to become principal of the school in the Via Garibaldi, and the latter to be the associate of Miss Vickery in the Woman's College.

The roll closes with that of Miss Dora Davis, who has gone to Loftcha, Bulgaria, where she will be engaged in the college work which has been so long successfully carried on by Miss Blackburn.

Two other names might appropriately be mentioned in this connection. Miss Anderson of Kuala Lumpur, whose expenses, with the exception of one hundred dollars, were borne by two friends in the Northwestern Branch, and Mrs. Cornelia Moots, now in service in Manila, who,

though not a regularly appointed missionary, is in part supported from our treasury.

These loving ones have gone forth bearing precious seed. Our prayers, our sympathies and our love, in most abundant measure, attend these devoted women.

Mrs. Davis has returned to her work in Nanking and has resumed personal supervision of the boarding school, which is located there, and Dr. Masters, realizing the urgent demand for the services of a medical missionary at Ngu Cheng, has established herself at that point. Miss Singh, whose visit to this country was at once a delight and an inspiration to all who are interested in mission work and mission workers, has returned to Lucknow and has resumed the duties of her professorship.

No one who met her while in this country could fail to be deeply impressed with her devotion to the work which she has undertaken, and with her delightful personality. Miss Greene who had been in our service at Budaon returned home last spring, and in August, Miss Stahl, of Darjeeling memory, returned to America.

The sudden death of Miss Steere's sister, devolved upon her the care of an aged and infirm father, and of course necessitated her return.

Mrs. Van Petten, of Yokohama, and Dr. Lyon, of Foochow, have just arrived in this country. Miss Mary Peters and her sister, Miss Sarah Peters are en route to America, but their arrival has not been reported. They tarried in England for a time to visit some family friends. Their home coming will be greatly saddened by the recently reported and very serious illness of their mother, which has rendered her helpless and unconscious. Miss Shaw of Nanking, is also at home.

Four young women, candidates for the mission service have been accepted by the committee. Their certificates of recommendation, favorably endorsed, will be presented to the Committee on Candidates for final action.

There are no special features connected with the Thank-Offering of the past year, which demand particular notice. The service itself has so grown into our polity that it is as much a part of the society programme as the annual meeting or the weekly contribution.

The widow's mite and the larger gift go side by side into the treasury and each is devoted to the furtherance of the same good work. The service has so long been a day of rejoicing that it is welcomed every year with a constantly increasing interest. These offerings amounted to \$25,325.97.

The receipts from the sale of literature amounted to \$2,131.47 and the little mite boxes have rendered a good report as gleaners of the pennies. When these boxes are opened, they often disclose a goodly sprinkling

of coins more valuable than pennies. One such box belonging to a young man contained \$36.50 in silver dimes, one dime for every day in the year. The total receipts were \$5,208.49.

The appointment of Miss Kemper as secretary of the Young Woman's Department of foreign mission work, has secured for it an intelligent and systematic and efficient supervision. Twenty-two auxiliaries have been organized, and many other auxiliaries which had a name, but whose activities were dormant, have been revived.

If the work of this society is to be perpetuated, it behooves us not to forget to interest the children in the missionary enterprise. We will do well to remember the words of the Great Lawgiver: "Set your hearts unto all the words which I testify among you this day, which ye shall command your children to observe to do. For it is not a vain thing for you because it is your life." And the very life of this society depends on the children observing to continue the work, which we have begun. Mrs. Norton of the Rock River Conference and this, has given much time to organizing the children into missionary bands. Nineteen of these bands having an aggregate membership of about nine hundred, are the evidence of her fidelity and success.

The general activity and prosperity which has been ours warranted the expectation that we could report a large increase in our subscription list to the Friend, but in this we have been disappointed. Subscriptions to the Children's Friend have increased about one hundred per cent. This is a hopeful sign and is an augury of increased missionary zeal in the days to come.

The headquarters of the Branch are now permanently located in the new building erected in Chicago by the Western Book Concern. The office secretary reports the sales of literature to the amount of \$2,131.47, while nearly 4,000 packages have been sent out from the office.

The courtesy of the Book Room Managers has placed at our disposal for committee meetings and for semi-public gatherings, the assembly room which is adjacent to the headquarters room. Here we have greeted returning missionaries and bade good-bye to those who were just leaving for far away lands.

During the session of the General Conference we were favored with the presence of a large number of returned missionaries. They, with several of the Bishops, especially those who had more recently had supervision of the foreign work, rendered us most efficient and valuable service in connection with the various missionary meetings which were held in different parts of the city. A room in the Auditorium Hotel adjacent to the great hall, where the Conference convened, was at our service and proved to be a most attractive meeting place for friends of "Auld lang syne," as well as for those who are still in the harness.

The visit to our Branch of Miss Thoburn and Miss Singh, and the subsequent coming of Miss Stephens and Sooboonagam Ammal, added a stimulus to all our missionary interests. Through them the people seemed to be brought almost into direct contact with mission work, and the attractive personality of these messengers from the front, added grace to the eloquence of their various messages.

As the years go by, we are conscious that the devoted zeal, the unswerving fidelity and unselfish consecration of the noble band of workers in Northwestern Branch, is being more and more intensified. To be counted as one of so noble a sisterhood is indeed an exceedingly high privilege.

Death has entered again and again the families of those connected officially with our Branch. We record two names that bore a relation to us that deserve more than simple mention. Mrs Joseph Cununings whose name is as familiar to the New England Branch as to our own. In the first list of vice-presidents chosen do we find her name and from that date in 1869 until called up higher hers was a life of service to this society. In the missionary gatherings she seemed always to fit into the exact niche and do and say what seemed of rarest discrimination. Not a mission of the church that did not enlist her prayers and her services.

Oh, noble woman, never more a queen
 Than in the laying down
 Of sceptre, and of crown.
 To win a greater kingdom yet unseen.
 Teaching us how to make the highest goal;
 To earn the time success,
 To live, to love, to bless.
 And make Death proud to take a royal soul.

The other saint who left us but a short time since was Mrs. Aaron Wood, or "Auntie Wood" as her friends loved to call her. She was present at the organization of the Northwestern Branch, March 17th, 1870. Copying with her pen before she left the city the constitution for auxiliaries, she began immediately to organize auxiliaries in the State of Indiana.

At the age of eighty-two she went to Peru, South America, to visit her son, Rev. T. B. Wood, for many years a missionary in that country and to see for herself the work in which she had so long been interested. Upon her return she went to the Pacific Coast to make her home with a foster son, and at the age of ninety-two years and nine months the dear Lord came for her, and took her to the heavenly country. And men say that she is dead : but "she lives forever in the hearts of those who loved her."

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand October 1st, 1899	\$ 35.17
Receipts from October 1st, 1899, to October 1, 1900.....	108,428.13
Total.....	\$ 108,463.30

DISBURSEMENTS.

India.....	\$ 33,805.00
China.....	19,155.00
Japan.....	7,855.00
Mexico.....	4,200.00
South America.....	4,700.00
Italy.....	11,260.00
Bulgaria.....	1,852.00
Korea.....	834.00
Malaysia.....	550.00
Switzerland.....	200.00
Germany.....	300.00
Africa.....	1,500.00
Manila	100.00
Miscellaneous.....	7,303.00
Total.....	\$ 93,610.00

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<i>Missouri Conference,</i>	MRS. A. W. KEMP, Pickering, Mo.

With abounding gratitude we bring our survey of another year's work. If more members, more money in the treasury, more mission-

aries in the field, more subscribers to all our papers, and more and larger sales of literature indicate success, we can report a successful year. When Miss Loyd's failing health made it necessary for some one to go immediately to Mexico City, we sent Martha Lord McKibben to fill the place. Later, we needed money to send Miss Mekkelson to Africa. Then Mrs. Mary R. Duncklee of Silvam Springs, sent to our Treasurer \$875.00, which she wished used to send out missionaries.

Elder Haywood, of Mexico, needed greatly a teacher and missionary for Orizaba, and promised her support for the first year. Miss Lucy Bumgardner of Denison, Iowa, responded cheerfully to this call and is doing good work in a needy field. So all the year, according to our need, has been the supply.

Two of our Conference Secretaries have been obliged to resign, but willing hands were found to take their places.

Our Branch President and Treasurer have been much in the field, as have some of the Conference Secretaries. Miss Maskell spent six months in steady work in our own Branch, and one in Topeka. Her work was very successful. Miss Otto, too, has done much faithful work, but is now lost to our Branch and to Japan. As Mrs. Selby in Baker City, Oregon, she will help Columbia River Branch in every way possible.

In July Misses Maskell and Rigby sailed from Vancouver, in company with Bishop Warne. They made a safe and pleasant voyage and were welcomed with enthusiasm to their respective fields. So five good missionaries have gone out from us during the year.

Returning we have Misses Allen, Galloway and Ogborn from China, and Misses Lawson and Wood from India. They, with Misses Meyer and Stahl, gave us a rich program for annual meeting. An annuity of \$2,000 came from our good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Duncklee, near the end of the year.

Some of our truest and best have been crowned this year. The list is a long one, and we only mention two, who have been very often in our Executive meetings, Mrs. M. B. Romans of Denison, Iowa, and Mrs. W. H. Reed of Kansas City, Mo. Words cannot tell how much we miss them from our councils, but we comfort our sorrowing hearts with the assurance that in the blessed home, where they now rest, they are no less interested in bringing this world back to the Lord, than they were when they were with us.

Seven returned missionaries helped make our annual meeting a delightful occasion. They and we, through another year have toiled for the people unto whom the Lord sent them "To open their eyes and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and inheritance among them which

are sanctified." Having therefore obtained help of God we continue unto this day looking joyfully forward to the time when all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord.

MRS. M. S. HUSTON, *Corresponding Secretary*.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand, October 1st, 1899	\$	2,202	85
Receipts from Oct. 1st, 1899, to Oct. 1st, 1900.....		38,588	12
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Total.....	\$	40,790	97
Disbursements		39,023	12
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Bal. Oct. 1st, 1900.....	\$	1,767	85

DISBURSEMENTS BY COUNTRIES.

India.....	\$	20,983	90
China		7,624	25
Japan		5,018	66
South America.....		162	50
Mexico.....		1,930	00
Africa		736	60
Italy		1,200	00
Contingent		1,367	21
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Total.....	\$	39,023	12

MRS. E. P. FRITZ, *Treasurer*.

MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH.

Minnesota, South Dakota, North Dakota.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF GERMAN WORK.

MRS. PH. ACHARD, Chicago, Ill.

The Minneapolis Branch comes with a song of rejoicing over what God hath wrought. We entered the year with the swing of conquest in our steps and banner to the breeze bearing the words "Consecration, Expansion, Victory." Could I turn back the pages of the year for you and let you see our faithful women, in city and village and hamlet—out on the prairie, or in the little country church—who have labored and toiled in summer's heat and winter's cold, who have patiently gleaned, and made many a little sacrifice known only to themselves and their loving Master, then would you know something of the consecration that has marked the passing days of the year.

And could you have followed our two missionaries as they have gone over the length and breadth of the Branch, traveling at all hours of night and day, and by all sorts of conveyance known to civilization, in rain and snow, through storm and shine in order to meet the people and tell the women of Methodism the story of this wondrously blessed work, and could you know how much of time and prayer and thought our officers in Branch and Conference, District and Auxiliary have put into the work, then would you understand how expansion has been made a fact and how victory has been won.

'Tis said "he builds too low who builds below the stars," yet when we set out one year ago to win a thousand adherents to our cause to celebrate the rounding of the century we felt it was like reaching to the stars,

but when the returns come in we find 867 net increase in Auxiliaries and, including young people and children, a total increase in membership of 1066,—surely we have reason to be grateful.

In many respects the year has been the most remarkable one in our history. Never before have we had one of our very own missionaries with us for any considerable length of time. This year we have had Miss Blackmore for half the year and Miss Rouse, detained against her wish by the trouble in China, throughout all the year. Both these blessed workers have given of their time and strength unsparingly and have been unwearied in efforts to advance our cause. They have spoken before every large Conference in the Branch ; in one instance the Bishop gave us a hearing on Sabbath evening, himself presided and the members of the Conference attending in a body listened while Miss Rouse plead, as she so well can for China. There was no lack of invitations for her in that Conference after that. They have visited churches and auxiliaries, have met the young people and children and been an inspiration everywhere. Besides these two, at the beginning of the year Miss Nicolaisen gave one month to the work of visiting the German churches ere she sailed for China. So altogether much good seed has been sown, whose harvest will appear in years to come, and small wonder that we went up to our Annual Meeting at the zenith city, Duluth, with songs of rejoicing on our lips. Our very first service there was one of thanksgiving and praise for the mercies of the year, filled with gratitude that our missionaries had been so marvelously preserved in the midst of the ravages of war, and pestilence and famine. We found from reports of officers that every Conference had advanced in membership and in contributions, the total had made an advance of 42 per cent.—or a total increase of \$4040.64. On Sunday our workers had services morning and evening in all the Methodist churches of the city while in First Church Mrs. Mansell, Miss Rouse and Bishop Joyce both morning and evening addressed audiences which filled the large assembly room to overflowing. In his inimitable way the Bishop took us to China, pointed out the characteristics of that wonderful people, and fully demonstrated the need of trained consecrated workers to enter and take that Empire for Christ.

Some of our efficient officers were obliged to lay down the work for a time, and some had been called to service in the upper sanctuary. With regret we parted from these, but rejoiced to find other willing hands ready to take up the work and carry it on gladly for the Master's sake. Greetings from the Philadelphia Branch and from our President Emeritus, Mrs. Nind, added a delightful feature to the occasion, while the earnest, inspiring words of our Branch President, Mrs. Joyce, were a constant source of strength and helpfulness.

It is gratifying to note our increase of 40 to the subscriptions for the Woman's Missionary Friend, of 22 to the Heiden Frauen Freund, and of 26 to the Children's Friend, which enables our Branch to easily keep its place at the head of the list in the support of our periodicals. Please note that this is done in the one Branch which maintains its own Quarterly; and as an incontrovertible evidence that this little paper *helps*, not hinders the circulation, I note the fact that the auxiliary having the largest list of subscribers to the Quarterly has also the largest number of subscribers to the Friend, in proportion to membership. We note also an increase in the circulation of the Study and of other literature.

TWENTIETH CENTURY OFFERING. Early in the year a committee of three with Mrs. Joyce as chairman was appointed who at once took the matter in hand and prepared to carry out the plans outlined by this General Executive Committee. A circular letter of instruction was sent to auxiliaries through our Quarterly Review, leaflets were printed describing each of the four fields where it is to be applied and the month of March designated as the time to make the offering in auxiliaries and churches. Miss Rouse presented the cause in the churches of the Twin Cities with most excellent results, receiving in one church \$700.00 in cash pledges. Miss Blackmore also assisted us in many ways, and the returns show \$3,675.94 placed in our treasury as a twentieth century offering.

MITE BOXES. The new superintendent, Mrs. Woodward, has spared neither time nor strength but has given herself assiduously to this branch of work and reports 1066 of these little gleaners sent out to stand as silent pleaders for the helpless in every home they enter.

Mention should be made of one mission box lovingly packed by the German ladies, filled with many valuable and useful gifts and started on its way to their representative in the field, Miss Nicolaisen. Another was sent to gladden Miss Martin and help her in her work at Penang.

Again the year has been unique in the number of workers added to our force in the field. Three new missionaries, Miss Martha Nicolaisen, Miss Mary Cody and Miss Ida Ellis have been sent out, and Miss Blackmore has been returned, while two candidates have been accepted by the Branch.

Our workers in the field have been uninterrupted in their labors.

Miss Nicolaisen was indeed, hastily summoned from Sieng Lu, a lonely interior station in China, to Hing Hua, and later with the others found an asylum at Sharp Peak. But her language study has gone on as before, and her associates write that she has made commendable progress and will be ready to take up school work next year.

Miss Blackstock has had our Industrial school in Japan filled to its

utmost capacity, over 70 students enrolled, and has had the joy of being assured that the government edict does not apply to her school and she can go right on teaching the Bible as she had done before.

Miss Martin has been alone again for nearly all the year, carrying on a day-school of 50 pupils and a boarding-school that now numbers 17, besides Sunday school and evangelistic work. We hope Miss Ellis has ere this reached her in safety and trust it was in time to prevent a breakdown. Miss Ingram has had a year of blessed work, visiting the women in and around Lucknow.

A remarkable feature of the work this year has been that in spite of war and plague and famine and cholera and dangers on every hand, not one word of complaint has come from our heroic workers, and never a sign of fear, but through all their letters one can see that though their life-bark is tempest-tossed, yet

“One who was known in storms to sail
They have on board,
Above the raging of the gale,
They hear the Lord.”

And so grateful for all the mercies of the year past we enter the year to come taking as our motto the injunction of our beloved President Emeritus, Mrs. Nind, “Plan great things for God, expect great things from God and go forward.”

MRS. C. S. WINCHELL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance Oct. 1st, 1899.....	\$ 3,638.64
Receipts from Oct. 1st, 1899, to Oct. 1st, 1900.....	14,784.98
Total.....	\$ 18,423.62
Disbursements.....	12,862.81
Balance Oct. 1st, 1900.....	\$ 5,560.81

DISBURSEMENTS BY COUNTRIES.

India.....	\$ 3,330.98
Malaysia.....	3,974.30
China.....	2,444.81
Japan.....	1,965.00
Korea.....	40.00
Bulgaria.....	40.00
Italy.....	5.00
South America.....	50.00
	\$ 11,850.09

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Includes Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Texas, Utah and Oklahoma.

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With humble gratitude for the years' experiences, we present the 17th report of Topeka Branch. The increase in the number of auxiliaries and members is very encouraging, and our receipts show a gain over last year of \$4,400.

Mrs. Eliza Chrisman, for many years identified with our society, went to heaven a few months ago; in her will \$3,000 is left to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. In the results of the children's work we have a pardonable pride. The January quarterly meeting made Mrs. C. C. Adams of Topeka, superintendent of this department. She took hold of it with the determination that the children should have a \$500 share in the Baroda orphanage building; so systematic were her plans and so well executed that \$750 were put into the treasury.

What is of greater value than the dollars, is the missionary spirit awakened in the bands and junior leagues, which we hope will continue to grow with the years.

It has been our purpose to push the claims of our periodicals in every possible way and on every suitable occasion, but the publisher's report convinces us that we need to try again. The only item that indicates effort is 597 subscribers to the German Friend against 540 one year ago; to the children's paper and the Study there is a loss. There was not the enthusiasm over the Twentieth Century Thank-Offering that we anticipated, hence the report of our treasurer that our apportionment was more than met and that our gifts for buildings were \$5,000, was a glad surprise.

We gladly acknowledge the help rendered by Miss Maskell, Miss Rothweiler and Mrs. Busby. Each gave one month and a large share of the advance we record is owing to their labors.

There have been a number of changes among our missionaries during the year. Two are home for vacation, Miss Swaney of Rosario, and Miss Watson of Tokyo, Japan, one after ten, the other nine years uninterrupted service.

Miss Blackmar—our pioneer—is transferred to Raipur to open work, and Miss Fuller is taken from Lucknow to supply Sironcha. Miss Imhof goes from Sendai to new work in Sapporo. Dr. C. B. Spencer, editor of the Central Christian Advocate, Miss Lawson of Northwest India, Miss Wood of South India and Mrs. Smith of Burmah, were the inspiration of our annual meeting. Their words remain with us, and will, we trust, in the year to come, prompt us to greater endeavor.

MISS M. WATSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance October 1st, 1899.....	\$ 178.00
Receipts	19,301.85
Disbursements.....	15,823.72
Balance Oct. 1st, 1900.....	365.13

DISBURSEMENTS BY COUNTRIES.

India.....	\$ 6,562.49
China.....	3,290.00
Japan.....	2,425.00
Italy.....	100.00
South America.	2,570.00
Special for Korea.	136.00
Total	\$ 15,083.49

MRS. A. M. DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

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Beginning the year with a pitifully small balance and with an extra demand on us for an additional \$4,500 as our proportion of the two hundred thousand dollars the women of our Society had pledged toward the Twentieth Century Offering, we said: "We cannot do the impossible, but we can do something, and will do our utmost toward raising \$2,000 for our part."

With the famine appeal already reaching us and a dear California girl waiting for the money to carry her to China, where at that time she was so greatly needed, we felt that this work that God had laid into our hands must be done first, and the Twentieth Century Fund must wait until the pressing emergencies were met.

Just then an appeal came from Miss Marks asking for money for the building of chapels, dormitories, and a new orphanage, the work to be given to the native Christians who were on the verge of starvation, and the money sent her would serve the double purpose of furnishing work and wages to the starving, and providing permanent housing for the famine waifs who will be permanent residents of our mission in Ajmere for many years to come.

The practical wisdom of this financial plan commended itself to the general public as well as to the Christian people and money came in from many unexpected sources. So, without any planning on our part our famine relief money was transmuted into Twentieth Century gold. In divers ways we appealed to the public, and because Miss Marks was a

California girl, and because of her fine executive ability many unused to giving to foreign missions gave cheerfully and generously to our famine relief.

From time to time we changed our form of appeal as something fresh or unique suggested itself. A popular feature was the placing of boxes in the banks for the reception of famine funds, first in Pasadena and in other places afterwards. Hundreds of dollars came to us through those silent pleaders.

The great heart of our dear Mrs. Bishop Newman was touched by the piteous cry of our unsheltered starvelings and her gift of \$1,000 was put into our Ajmere Orphanage and another monument to our sainted Bishop will stand in the shape of "Newman Hall" in Ajmere.

The church from which Miss Marks went to India—Grace, San Francisco—raised \$600 for a like memorial. Precious gifts of keepsakes came from those who had but little money to give, but the gifts that touched our hearts most deeply came from the little churches and pastors with meagre support whose unsolicited gifts often brought tears to our eyes. Among those who assumed the support of the starving orphans was Mrs. Ross Taylor who took four little ones in memory of her own four darlings who went home in a chariot of fire a few years ago.

Instead of the \$2,000 Twentieth Century money that we hoped to raise in two years we raised \$7,167 in nine months. In addition to this \$450 was paid for support of famine orphans, and quite a large sum is pledged and will be paid in the near future for the further support of orphans. Almost \$8,000 was raised for work outside our appropriations. Our appropriations are all raised and obligations met.

We have made encouraging gains in our Young Women's work in Southern California Conference and in juvenile work in the California Conference. Have lost eight auxiliaries in one Conference and gained seven in another. Two of our missionaries have returned home, one, Miss C. Easton for health reasons, the other, Dr. Taft, because of the trouble in China. Both had given five years of faithful service and are enjoying a well-deserved vacation.

Miss Marks has wrought marvelously in the midst of plague and famine and scenes of woe unutterable. She has rescued 3,500 helpless orphans and homeless, friendless widows. After a time the native Rajah forbade the sending any more of his subjects out of his province.

Foreseeing this emergency, God had turned into Miss Mark's hands sufficient funds to build two orphanages, one at Ajmere, and one at a town fifty miles from there. Besides these two orphanages, a widows' home will be maintained at Ajmere. In addition to this rescue and building work Miss Marks has had supervision of three kitchens where two

or three thousand were fed one meal a day, she furnishing half the expense and Dr. J. E. Scott the balance. She also furnished material for weavers and shoemakers to be made up into clothing which she purchased for her rescued ones.

In April cholera broke out in her home and swept away forty of our family. The authorities moved her and her household five miles outside the city until cholera ceased.

Dr. Emma Scott has won the eternal gratitude of the Pacific Branch by coming to Miss Marks' relief in this time of distress and peril. She remained and took 250 orphans to a nearby village and cared for them until she was stricken with fever from which she is slowly convalescing. Many prayers ascend in her behalf that her precious life may be spared. When she was taken ill Miss Hoge with sweet unselfishness went to Miss Marks' relief. Her help and presence have been invaluable. In May New England Branch gave us Miss Charlotte Holman as a helper for Miss Marks. We prepared to send her at once and after many vexatious delays we succeeded in getting her off September 19th.

We have had a mingled cup of sorrow and blessing. Financially we can say "Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness, Thy paths drop fatness" yet with the terrible outbreak in China and pestilence and famine in India we have carried aching hearts. Happily we learned through the example of an aged saint to "cast out four anchors and wait for the day" knowing that God's time-piece was moving unerringly toward the light of a bright and victorious day.

That we have borne some little part in bringing in that glorious day fills our hearts with grateful praise.

MRS. CHARLOTTE O'NEAL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

OCTOBER 1, 1899, TO OCTOBER 1, 1900.

Receipts.....	\$16,638.00
Balance from last year.....	270.70
Total.....	\$16,908.70
Disbursed.....	15,252.09
Balance on hand.....	\$1,656.61
Raised for Twentieth Century Fund.....	\$ 7,167.12
For Famine.....	841.25

DISBURSEMENTS.

India	\$13,171.00
China	1,063.40
Japan	175.00
Korea	50.00
Miscellaneous	792.69
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	\$15,252.09

MRS. Z. L. PARMELEE, *Treasurer.*

COLUMBIA RIVER BRANCH.

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CONFERENCE SECRETARIES.

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	Fremont, Wash.

In a retrospective glance over the work of Columbia River Branch for the past year we note the absence of striking facts, but this in no wise signifies check in growth. The record is one of steady activity, which, on the whole, may be possibly preferred above spasmodic and brilliant advance over which one must needs rejoice with trembling lest there follow corresponding reaction and decline.

We are able to report an increase, though not large, in number of organizations, in membership, in lists of subscribers to our periodicals, and in financial receipts, besides the greater gift of one candidate for missionary service.

From the first the anticipated return of our president, Mrs. Cranston, from her two years' sojourn abroad gave color to the work of the year.

notwithstanding the fact that there loomed before its realization the shadow of that vast legislative body of the church, whose acts may not be forecast and upon whose decisions even our chief overseers must patiently wait. Fortunately for us the "must" which superseded the "may" of previous years left undisturbed the episcopal residence at Portland and thus restored our president to the Branch. It has been somewhat of compensation for her long absence that through Mrs. Cranston's rare powers of keen observation and subsequent vivid reproduction we have been brought into more intimate relation with our interests in Japan and China.

Two additional officers have this year cared for new features of the Branch—one an agent for supplying auxiliaries with missionary letters and the second chairman of the Committee on our Twentieth Century Offering. Both have rendered efficient service. The former reports an interest in her department which has extended even to other and older Branches, applications for letters having been received by her from several Eastern States. Our Twentieth Century chairman has proven a most enthusiastic and diligent leader, although this chance to be her first pronounced activity along missionary lines. Accustomed as she has been to leadership in society and club life she is learning, what we would every Christian woman might put herself into the way of ascertaining, that devotion to the Master's work alone brings the highest reward of joy.

Our Thank-Offering amounts to \$1,200, double the sum of last year—not a bad showing considering opportunities and that in its gathering we have not been favored like our sister Branches with a host of missionary helpers, nor yet are so related to the mission field as to count on the Twentieth Century Offering contributions for India famine relief. Could we apply the entire amount of our Thank-Offering on Twentieth Century objects our proportion of the whole would be well advanced, but since it has been our custom to use this for the regular appropriations it is necessary to deduct the usual amount for such purpose, which leaves only \$600 to be credited as Twentieth Century Offering. However, our confidence is strong that ere the close of the coming year Columbia River Branch will lay at the Master's feet all that has been planned for her in token of gratitude for the privilege of passing with him this Twentieth Century mile-stone.

Between three and four hundred dollars was sent through our treasury for famine sufferers, far less than the amount contributed through the instrumentality of our auxiliaries and forwarded through other channels.

Late in the year it was our privilege to greet three passing missionaries. Miss Lily Greene, from India, helped to render the July Quarterly

Meeting of unusual interest, Miss Elsie Wood brought news from Catholic Peru, and Dr. Mary Cutler, with her little Korean protegee, talked of that strange people before several gatherings in the Northern part of our territory.

Our Branch is supporting two missionaries. Miss Lilly in Singapore has labored under very heavy burdens, bravely doing her best to carry the work of two. Miss Parkinson, who went out one year ago to take charge of the new Conference Seminary at Foochow, has been very happy in her duties. She writes that not a day has passed without thanksgiving for her work in China.

Our Annual Meeting was of marked interest and was distinguished from all that preceded in several particulars, each of which is named as a "first." Our hostess was Mrs. M. C. Wire, who eight years ago journeyed across the continent with a plea to the General Executive Committee, assembled with this New England mother-of-us-all, for permission to erect in the Pacific Northwest the eleventh Branch, and whose successful mission was crowned by her subsequent election as its first Secretary. For the first time since her accession to the office our gracious president, Mrs. Cranston, directed the annual deliberations of the body, and we could but remember with profound gratitude that wondrous deliverance from an attacking mob in Peking which our God wrought for her and hers, and which has since proven an earnest of the blessed protection recently vouchsafed to all our mission band in that beleaguered city. For the first time in our Branch history its four chief officers were able to be present at the Annual Session, and we recounted in our hearts with thanksgiving other deliverances from impending sorrow and change. And, finally, to round out and complete the whole, one of our first missionaries was with us, Mrs. Emma Ferris Shellabear, who after eight years of almost unexampled labor in a trying climate, landed on our shores a few days prior to the meeting. With all these evidences of Divine care it could not be other than that our hearts were tender as we reviewed the past and strong in courage as we prayed and planned for the future, and gave thanks for the best Annual Meeting and the best year of the Branch.

MRS. A. N. FISHER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand October 1, 1899	\$ 1,052.22
Receipts from October 1, 1899, to October 1, 1900	5,034.43
Total	<hr/> \$ 6,086.65

Disbursements—India.....	\$ 2,111.45
Malaysia.....	1,300.00
China.....	690.00
Japan.....	460.00
Incidentals.....	238.60— 4,800.05
Balance on hand October 1, 1900.....	\$1,286.60
For General Work.....	\$ 1,130.85
Outgoing Missionary.....	155.75
MRS. M. E. WHITNEY, <i>Treasurer.</i>	

GERMAN WORK.

CONFERENCE SECRETARIES.

Superintendent of German Work, MRS. PH. ACHARD, P. O. Box 96, Roselle, Ill.	
<i>Switzerland.</i>	<i>East German Conference.</i>
MRS. ANNA SPOERRI, Laupen-Str. 13, Bern, Switzerland.	MRS. L. EDWARDS, 1524 Ridge Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>South Germany.</i>	<i>Central German.</i>
MRS. PH. RIEKER, Pirmasens Bayr, Pfalz, Germany.	MISS ANNA SCHEUTERMANN, 1429 Liberty Ave., Terre Haute, Ind.
<i>North Germany.</i>	<i>Chicago German.</i>
MRS. L. WUNDERLICH, West-Str. 1, Planen i. V., Sachsen, Germany.	MISS JULIA ENDERIS, 1914 Cedar St., Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>California German.</i>	<i>North German.</i>
MRS. C. MEYER, Wilmington, Cal.	MRS. BERTHA BAUER ROTH, 1019 13th Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>North Pacific German</i>	<i>Northwest German.</i>
MRS. AMALIE HARTUNG SCHNERT, Rosalia, Wash.	MRS. MARY WELLEMAYER, Garner, Ia.
<i>West German.</i>	<i>St. Louis German.</i>
MRS. J. F. KURTZ, Box 80, Roca, Nebr.	MISS OLIVIA HEIDEL, Warrenton, Ill.

CONFERENCE TREASURERS.

<i>Switzerland.</i>	<i>Central German.</i>
MRS. LENA KIENAST, Kramerstr. 11, Zuerich III, Switzerland.	MISS ANNA BAUR, 330 Milton St., Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>South Germany.</i>	<i>California German.</i>
MRS. JESSE MANN, Herrenberg, Wurtemberg, Germany.	MRS. SUSIE PAULING, 778 E. Pico St., Los Angeles, Cal.
<i>North Germany.</i>	The remaining Conference Secretaries are also Treasurers.
MRS. A. HENPEL, Koernerplatz 8, Leipzig, Germany.	

BUREAU OF SUPPLIES

MRS. PH. ACHARD, P. O. Box 96, Roselle, Ill.

"Bless the Lord, oh my soul! and forget not all His benefits!"

We have great cause to praise the Lord in our German part of the work. Last year we rejoiced over a gift of \$1,000, and at the beginning of this year the thought arose: Will there be a decrease to be recorded next year? Yet we hoped and prayed, and tried to have faith, that God would so move the hearts of our auxiliaries that each would increase its contributions, and we did not pray in vain.

We had planned our work for the coming year, but we could not carry out our intentions. Sickness came, removal and hinderances of various kinds, and all we could do was to attend to our usual duties. On the other hand, the Lord realized a long-felt need, and sent us several missionaries who visited auxiliaries and congregations where no work had been done before, and the result was even more than we expected. Last year the contributions of the societies were \$9,244.46, this year they are \$9,600.01. We have no increase in the sum total, but we have as much as we had last year, when \$1,000 were given by one person, which shows that there has been a good step forward.

We are very thankful to Sister Rothweiler, who has been in more than one respect a great help to us, and though nominally she is here to rest, she is, in reality doing a great work, and the result of her work will be felt in the progress of time. Sister Otto also has done good work. Wherever she has been, our people are full of her praise. She has visited a number of places in the St. Louis and Northwestern Conferences with good results. Sisters Blackmore and Maskell visited in the northern part of the Northwestern Conference and were much appreciated.

The Northern and Western Conferences have done exceedingly well, their watch-word is FORWARD! These are the two conferences that always are the leading ones. We also call it a step forward, that for the first time, there is only a small deficit (\$5.37) in the contingent-fund treasury. This is due to the fact that the auxiliaries paid all the running expenses, as well as the traveling expenses of Sisters Rothweiler and Otto. The expenses were \$203.23, to which the auxiliaries contributed \$197.86.

We Germans are slow, and when we have once realized the importance and value of a cause, we assist it, not with a noisy and short-lived enthusiasm, but with a calm and persistent devotion which ever grows in warmth and depth. We thank God that we can see how the interest is increasing, and as there is yet much territory to be occupied, we hope to march, ever forward and onward!

PH. ACHARD, *Superintendent of the German Work.*

STATISTICS OF GERMAN WORK.

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CONFERENCES.	Organizations.	Life Members.	Members.	Special Work.	Frauen-Missions Freund.	Wom. M. Friend.	Child. M. Friend.	Receipts 1899-1900.	Receipts 1898-1899.	Increase.	Decrease.
Switzerland.....	40	..	1167	..	185	..	..	\$ 519 25	\$ 497 41	\$ 21 84	.....
South Germany.....	35	..	600	..	326	..	..	283 57	287 85	.....	.....
North Germany	24	..	550	..	388	..	..	161 89	183 06	.....	4 28
East German.....	20	1	643	4	228	12	121	828 56	1776 12	.....	21 17
Central German.....	19	3	490	9	255	10	20	1250 89	1213 85	.....	947 56
St. Louis German.....	17	..	474	9	300	1	10.	667 34	621 79	45 55	.....
Chicago German.....	14	1	275	1	460	1	40	507 50	453 31	54 19	.....
North German.....	37	38	867	8	409	16	44	1943 31	1519 65	423 66	.....
Northwest German.....	29	5	493	10	561	11	30	945 11	805 99	139 12	.....
West German.....	36	30	758	5	96	9	1	1960 59	1418 95	541 64	.....
California German.....	7	17	94	12	43	6	3	423 85	392 73	31 12	.....
North Pacific German..	4	..	97	..	595	..	..	73 75	73 75	.....	.....
Miscellaneous.....	..	..	....	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals, 1899-1900.....	282	95	6490	55	3846	66	269	9565 61	9244 46	.....	.....
Totals, 1898-1899.....	270	71	5817	37	3718	79	188	9244 46	.....	.....	.....
Increase.....	12	24	673	18	128	..	81	321 15	.....	.....	.....
Decrease.....	..	..	....	..	...	13	..	.....	.....	.....	.....

HOME STATISTICS.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

BRANCHES.

Branches.	Auxiliaries.	Members.	Young Women's Societies.	Members.	Children's Bands.	Members.	Total Organizations.	Total Membership.	Conference Secretaries.	District Secretaries.
New England.....	429	9,468	44	964	119	2,310	592	12,742	10	31
New York.....	800	28,307	86	.....	.....	.....	886	28,307	14	44
Philadelphia.....	415	12,630	84	2,000	83	2,392	582	17,022	10	.....
Baltimore.....	127	4,413	34	1,294	31	1,465	192	7,172	3	5
Cincinnati.....	855	18,790	127	2,800	140	2,620	1,122	24,210	9	42
Northwestern.....	1,325	31,959	125	3,755	140	3,866	1,489	37,246	12	70
Des Moines.....	594	14,977	52	1,277	40	1,144	686	17,398	10	34
Minneapolis.....	193	3,935	26	594	54	1,380	273	5,909	7	13
Topeka.....	315	6,380	21	467	20	526	356	7,373	13	31
Pacific.....	106	2,465	25	722	58	1,386	189	4,573	5	8
Columbia River.....	79	1,598	14	283	9	216	102	2,094	7	9
Totals.....	5,238	134,922	638	14,156	694	17,305	6,469	164,046	100	287

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Report of Publication Committee.

1. *Resolved*, That we recognize the importance of our periodicals, as constituting the only stated means of communicating information from the foreign fields to the home workers. We value the editorial work which gives us twelve times a year the WOMAN'S MISSIONARY FRIEND, *Frauen-Missions-Freund*, *Children's Missionary Friend*, and *The Study*, for the enlightenment of adult members and children. We rejoice in their increased circulation, and recommend the continuance in office of the present editors.

2. *Resolved*, That the report of the publisher, Miss Pauline J. Walden, meets with our approval and we recommend her continuance in office for another year.

3. *Resolved*, That we recommend the following salaries be paid for the ensuing year. To the editor of the WOMAN'S MISSIONARY FRIEND, \$700; to the editor of *Der Frauen-Missions-Freund*, \$250; to the editor of the *Children's Missionary Friend*, \$250; to the publisher, \$700.

4. *Resolved*. That we recommend the editor of the WOMAN'S MISSIONARY FRIEND be granted \$50, for special contributions.

5. WHEREAS, The editor of the *Children's Missionary Friend*, Mrs. O. W. Scott, has been proved efficient, contributing largely to its bright contents, also giving this year the following new leaflets: Baroda Series, Flag Series No. 9, Western Malaysia and the Philippines, the Banners of the Nations, and compiling a Song and Hymn Book,—Therefore

Resolved, That we tender her our appreciation, promising her our earnest support. We recommend that \$25 be granted for special contributions to *Children's Missionary Friend*.

6. *Resolved*, That we hereby express our gratitude to Mr. A. S. Weed, as auditor, for the valuable service rendered, and recommend his re-appointment.

7. *Resolved*, That we recommend an appropriation of \$50 for the editing of the thirty-first General Executive Committee Report, and \$100 for editing *The Study*.

8. *Resolved*, That we recommend The Twentieth Century Thank-offering Program, as prepared last year, be re-issued for general use, and that each Branch again add a supplementary leaflet; that this material be ready for distribution by January 1, 1901.

9. WHEREAS, the increase in circulation of the WOMAN'S MISSIONARY FRIEND by eight thousand has not been realized, the increase for the year being but 908.

Resolved, That we again recommend that each Branch, at its first Executive meeting, make such detailed arrangements, with its Conference, District, and auxiliary corresponding secretaries, for securing new subscribers, that success may be the result of this year's effort, and the desired eight thousand new subscribers be gained. As workers together with God, believing that much benefit to missions will result from increased circulation of our magazine, let each member of the Society daily offer prayer, that our hopes may be realized and the subscription list reach thirty thousand.

10. *Resolved*, That considering the need of an interesting and instructive plan of study for Young Woman's Societies, we recommend that the "Progressive Course" of four years' study, as prepared by Miss Eleanor O'Connell, Cincinnati Branch, be printed in an attractive form.

11. *Resolved*, That twenty-five thousand copies of the abridged Annual Report be printed; that it be paid for by the various Branches, and distributed as a free leaflet to auxiliaries. We recommend that a copy be sent to each pastor in our church, so far as practicable.

12. *Resolved*, That we recommend an edition of three thousand copies of the Thirty-first Annual Report. That in the official correspondence the names of stations in capitals be placed at the beginning of paragraphs, and the name of missionary in charge follow.

13. *Resolved*, That we recommend that the report of the zenana paper be printed in full in the Thirty-first Annual Report.

14. *Resolved*, That we recommend the work of Miss Georgiana Baucus, as editor of Japanese literature, for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and commend this work to the Society for support.

15. *Resolved*, That we recommend that a Literature Committee of three be elected; whose duty shall be to provide all the literature of the Society, except the periodicals and General Executive Committee report.

16. *Resolved*, That we recommend that the territory of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society be divided into three sections—the Eastern section be composed of New England, New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore Branches; the Central section, Northwestern and Cincinnati Branches; the Western section, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Topeka, Pacific and Columbia River Branches. That from these divisions, the Literature Committee be chosen.

17. *Resolved*, That we recommend the following names for said committee: From the Eastern section, Mrs. A. H. Eaton, "Appledore," Catonsville, Md.; from the Central section, Mrs. R. H. Pooley, Rockford,

Ill.; from the Western section, Miss Elizabeth Pearson, Des Moines, Ia.

18. *Resolved*, That we recommend that the Literature Committee be elected for a term of three years, on the rotation plan: the rotation to be decided by lot.

19. *Resolved*, That we recommend the following change in Number 7, Sec. IX, Page 221, Annual Report, omit the word "and" before the word "publisher"; and insert after the word "papers," and *Members of the Literature Committee*.

20. *Resolved*, That we recommend that Number 8, same section and page as above, be expunged.

21. *Resolved*, That we recommend that the following be a substitute for Number 8. There shall be a Literature Committee of three, whose duty it shall be to provide all the literature of the Society, except the periodicals and General Executive Committee Report.

22. *Resolved*, That we recommend that there shall be a secretary of Literature elected by each Branch, whose duty shall be to assist the Literature Committee through correspondence, by suggestions, by presenting the needs of their respective Branches and aiding in any other way the Literature Committee may desire. It shall also be the duty of the Branch Literature secretary to advance the interests and increase the circulation of our literature and publications in every possible way.

23. *Resolved*, That we recommend that this by-law become Section IV, page 213, Annual Report, and the following sections be re-numbered accordingly.

MISS ELIZABETH PEARSON, *Chairman*.

MRS. ABEL BLISS, *Secretary*.

Resolutions of the Finance Committee.

Resolved, That the gratuitous service given by Miss Turrel to our girls' school in Rangoon has justly merited our gratitude and we hereby extend to her our sincere thanks.

Resolved, That it is with deep regret that, owing to the lack of funds, we feel obliged to again decline assisting the very needy and yet promising field in Chili.

Resolved, That we reconsider our action of Nov. 2, 1899, whereby we created a committee of three to attend to the distribution and sale of our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society literature at the great meetings of our church and at international conventions.

Resolved, That we advise that the Branch secretary of literature shall have in charge the distribution and sale of our literature at the said meetings.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, being fully convinced of the superior advantages offered by the Christian and intellectual instruction afforded by the *Folts Institute*, at Herkimer, would recommend it to the attention of all those seeking preparation for missionary work, and that they will endeavor to further the interests of this institution as far as lies in their power.

Resolved, That in response to the proposition made to this committee by Mrs. Ada Lee of India, we are glad to co-operate with her in her efforts for the redemption of India, and we are ready to accept her work on the same terms and methods as that of other work of our Society in the Orient.

WHEREAS, The Cincinnati Branch finds it impossible to carry the work in Asuncion, Paraguay, alone, and whereas, no other Branch can at this time assist in this work; therefore,

Resolved, That we discontinue our work in Asuncion.

Resolved, That we amend item five of the Fourth Section in By-Laws, relating to foreign treasurers, to read, "If any surplus funds remain in the foreign treasuries from unused appropriations, exchange or any other source, they must be reported to the Branch, and held subject to the order of the secretary of the Branch from whose moneys they accrue."

Resolved, That the item concerning the adoption of children by missionaries be placed in the "Instructions to Missionaries."

Resolved, That we ask the missionaries in our foreign fields to send a carefully revised list of Bible-women and assistants, whose names have been on the roll, to the official correspondent of the special field to which each belong.

(Signed)

COMMITTEE OF FINANCE.

Missionary Candidate Report.

The applications and credentials of thirteen candidates have been submitted from the several Branches as follows: two from Des Moines, three from Northwestern, one from Columbia River, two from Minneapolis, three from the New York, and one from Cincinnati.

The Des Moines Branch presented the credentials of Miss Martha N. Miller, Madrid, Iowa, and Miss Lucy M. Bumgardner, Denison, Iowa.

Recognizing the especial fitness and adaptation of both these young women for mission work in the foreign field, we recommend that they be accepted.

From the Northwestern Branch there were three applications received.

Having carefully examined the testimonials of Miss Anna Agnes Abbott, Chicago, Ill., and Miss Margaret Douglas Lewis, M. D., Chicago, Ill., we consider them exceptionally well qualified, and we recommend that they be accepted.

The credentials of Miss Josephine Chowning, Aledo, Ill., have been carefully considered and approved, but for lack of health certificate, we respectfully recommend that they be returned to her Branch.

The application of Miss Ruth Evelyn Robinson, Calcutta, India, was presented through the Baltimore Branch.

Her Christian experience and scholastic attainments eminently qualify her for foreign mission work. We recommend that she be accepted and appointed to Bombay, India.

The testimonials presented by the Columbia River Branch, of Miss Alma Evans, Livingston, Montana, have been examined and we heartily recommend that she be accepted.

The credentials presented by the Minneapolis Branch, of Miss Hattie D. Jones, Luzerne, Minn., were considered and approved, but on account of her age were referred back to that Branch for future consideration.

The Minneapolis Branch also presents the application of Miss Addie Goetz, Fairmont, Minn.

Having carefully examined her indorsements, we find them most satisfactory, and recommend that she be accepted.

Through the New York Branch were received the applications of the next three candidates.

The testimonials of Miss Lula N. Miller, Little Falls, N. Y., and Miss Alice J. Hammond, Brooklyn, N. Y., as to character and adaptability to all lines of Christian work, were highly satisfactory, and we recommend that they be accepted.

The committee approves the credentials of Miss Mary E. Banta, Brooklyn, N. Y., and recommend that she be accepted and given a year's training at Folts Institute.

The application of Miss Mary R. Hillman, Newark, Ohio, was presented by the Cincinnati Branch.

Her credentials represent her to possess "fine executive ability and every qualification of the true missionary." We recommend her acceptance.

MRS. EDWARD S. FERRY, *Chairman*,
MRS. CHASTIAN M. BILLINGSLEY, *Sec'y*.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

1. *Resolved* That we hereby express our hearty appreciation of the privilege of meeting in the beautiful city of Worcester, in which we have been enabled to meet three of our "founders," and to hear them recount the early history of our organization. We thank God for their spared lives, and crave for them His choicest blessings and added years of usefulness.

2. *Resolved*, That we hereby extend our sincere gratitude for the many courtesies and privileges accorded to us by the good people of Worcester, in the abundant hospitality of the homes opened to us; the bountiful repasts served by the different churches; the charming reception given by Grace Church; the unremitting kindness of all the local committees, and the little page; for the beautiful, artistic programs furnished; for the excellent reports of the meeting given daily by the local press; for the inspiring music of choirs, soloists and others; to the city pastors and presiding elder for their presence, encouraging words and services; to the Sunday School of Trinity Church, for the pretty souvenir buttons; to the trustees for the use of the church, to the janitor for his unwearied services, and to the Street Railway Company for courtesies extended. May He who said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto me," reward them all.

3. *Resolved*, That we thank Mr. Perkey for the opportunity to visit the Shredded Wheat Biscuit Factory, for the elegant dinner given us, and for his suggestive after-dinner speech.

4. *Resolved*, That this General Executive Committee appreciate the courtesy extended to them in the invitation to visit Clark University, and that we regret that pressure of business prevented many from accepting the invitation.

5. *Resolved*, That we appreciate the kindness of the Auxiliary of Tremont Street Church, Boston, in planning to give to this General Executive Committee a reception in the church, where our society had its birth, and that we gratefully accept their gracious invitation.

6. *Resolved*, That this General Executive Committee, representing a constituency of more than 150,000 women, hereby express our high appreciation of the work of Mrs. J. T. Gracey, as Chairman of the Literary Committee. For twenty-four years she has served us with marked abil-

ity and untiring devotion, bringing the literature from an issue of a few pages up to millions of pages annually. She has done work which few *could* do, which no one, perhaps, *would* do. We wish to record our loving gratitude.

7. *Resolved*, That we record our deep gratitude to God, that in His infinite love He has preserved the lives of our dear missionaries in China, amid almost unparalleled peril, and those of India in stress of famine and pestilence, and that he has brought to this meeting a large representation of our heroic workers from these and other fields. We are deeply conscious of our indebtedness to Him, for the privilege of clasping their hands and hearing their words of counsel, their notes of victory. We rejoice in the assurance that not only these of our own organization, but also Rev. and Mrs. Rockwell Clancy, Rev. George Nind, Rev. Greenman, Rev. Julius Smith and others of the General Society, are co-workers with us for the coming of Christ's kingdom in all the earth.

8. *Resolved*, That the presence of Bishop J. C. Hartzell in our meetings has been a blessing and an inspiration; that we are in hearty sympathy with his work for the redemption of Africa, and pledge ourselves to do all in our power to further his plans.

9. *Resolved*, That we cordially thank the Pacific Branch for its pressing invitation to the General Executive Committee to meet within its borders in 1902, and appreciate the courtesy of the Preachers' Meeting of San Francisco and Los Angeles, and the Board of Trade of San Francisco, in seconding and endorsing the invitation. We also thank Minneapolis Branch for its urgent invitation for 1901, and its generous kindness in yielding to the Philadelphia Branch.

10. *Resolved*, That we hereby express our gratitude to Miss Adelaide Sevearns, for the valuable assistance rendered to Miss Pauline J. Walden, in editing the Prayer Calendar.

11. *Resolved*, That we fully appreciate the consecrated labor and untiring zeal of the standing Literature Committee, and feel that not only our thanks, but also those of our entire constituency are due to each and all of them for their efficient services.

Resolved, That we recommend the resolutions concerning the inter-denominational study, presented by the Literature Committee, which are as follows :—

Resolved, That in view of having already published a plan of study for 1901, for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, especially bearing upon the present vital issues in the foreign field, in order to make the plan available for our societies, it is our judgment that the inter-denominational studies date from January, 1902, when we can with unanimity adopt it.

Resolved, That we request the committee to print the schedule for the year immediately, so that all auxiliaries may have ample time to prepare a program in advance.

12. WHEREAS, Folts Institute, of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, in presenting its encouraging report, asked for our earnest support, and for further aid, that the work of the Institute might be more efficient :

Resolved, That we commend the wise supervision of Miss Maria O. Allen, acting president. Her zeal for the enlargement of the work of the Institute enlists our sympathies, and bespeaks our coöperation. We hereby pledge to further acquaint ourselves with the methods of this institution for Christian training, that we may be enabled to recommend it to young women throughout our constituency, who desire the special training afforded at Folts Institute. It stands in the foremost rank among our own educational institutions ; we covet for it an exalted position among our church institutions.

13. WHEREAS, The Wesleyan Home, at 19 Wesley St., Newton, Mass., is under the care of our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, with matron and management commending themselves to our missionaries and their children ;

Resolved, We give it our prayers and do all we can to maintain it.

14. WHEREAS, Our missionaries and native Christians in China, having met with severe persecution and dangers from Chinese mobs, being obliged to flee from their homes and seek shelter elsewhere :

Resolved, That this General Executive Committee present to Edmund Cousins, Esq., Tientsin, China, heartfelt gratitude for his timely assistance, in caring for our loved missionaries in his own beautiful home, and sheltering our native Christians ; providing for them all every comfort which money and a careful regard for their needs could supply. We hereby acknowledge our obligations to Mr. Cousins, and implore our Heavenly Father to pour upon him Heaven's richest blessings.

We also acknowledge our indebtedness to our friends and co-workers of the American Board at Kobe, Japan, for their kindness to missionaries in their time of need, and to the McTyeire School of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Shanghai, which opened wide its doors to receive our dear Miss Robinson and her twenty girls. May blessings rare be the portion of these servants of God.

MRS. ABEL BLISS.

MISS SARAH E. MASON.

MRS. ELLA PICHÉREAU.

Appropriations for 1900-1901.

NEW ENGLAND BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Naini Tal</i> , Rent.....	\$ 33 00
Assistant.....	120 00
<i>Dwarahat</i> , Assistant.....	120 00
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , salary of Miss Tresham	300 00
Scholarship.....	48 00
Conveyance.....	60 00
Repairs	60 00
<i>Bhot</i> , Medical work and conference expenses.....	58 00
Itinerating and moving.....	60 00
<i>Moradabad</i> , Assistant.....	240 00
Matron.....	120 00
School hospital and Medicine.....	120 00
Repairs.....	100 00
Teacher.....	70 00
Scholarships.....	600 00
City schools	168 00
Inspectress	60 00
Conveyance.....	84 00
Bible-women.....	104 00
<i>Bijnour</i> , Second assistant.....	200 00
Scholarships	100 00
Bible women.....	176 00
Conveyance and rent.....	65 00
<i>Sambhal District</i>	1000 00
Assistant in evangelistic work.....	100 00
Mrs. Parker's itinerating....	33 00
Two Medical Scholarships...	80 00
<i>Bareilly</i> , Scholarships and orphanage.....	300 00
Salary and passage of Miss Harvey	700 00
<i>Shahjahanpur</i> , Salary of Miss Organ	650 00
<i>Lucknow College</i> , salary of Miss Nichols.....	650 00
Salary of Miss Stearns.....	650 00
Two memorial scholarships.....	80 00
	\$7,309 00

North West India.

<i>Muttra</i> , First assistant.....	\$ 240 00
Scholarships	195 00
Conveyance	33 00
<i>Cawnpore</i> , First assistant.....	220 00
Scholarships in High School.....	216 00

Scholarships in native school	\$ 150 00
Assistant for Mrs. Hoskins ..	100 00
Cawnpore debt	250 00
<i>Meerut</i> , First assistant.....	220 00

Total..... **\$1,624 00**

Bombay.

<i>Bombay</i> , Scholarships	\$ 250 00
<i>Bassim</i> , Scholarships and Bible-women	500 00
General work.....	250 00
Total.....	\$ 1000 00

South India.

<i>Hyderabad</i> , City girls' schools.	\$ 275 00
Salary of Mrs. Somerville...	220 00
Scholarships	80 00
<i>Madras</i> , Salary of Miss D'Jordan	260 00
Salary of Miss Young.....	260 00
Scholarships	192 00
Conveyance.....	80 00
<i>Bangalore</i> , General work	180 00
Passage of Miss Stephens ..	250 00
Total.....	\$1,797 00

Bengal-Burmah.

<i>Darjeeling</i> , School	\$ 350 00
Total.....	\$ 350 00

Malaysia.

<i>Singapore</i> , Salary of Miss Hemingway	\$ 425 00
Vernacular teacher.....	50 00
Substitute for Miss Norris...	216 00
Teluk Ayer, school rent.....	150 00
Scholarships	140 00
Conveyance.....	125 00
Repairs at Paurol.....	30 00
Furniture (conditional)....	100 00
General work.....	150 00
Total.....	\$1,386 00

Korea.

<i>Seoul</i> , One-half salary of Mrs. Seranton.....	\$ 375 00
Itinerating of Mrs. Seranton.....	60 00
Salary of Miss Paine.....	600 00
Incidentals to the work.....	150 00
Man of all work.....	50 00
Day school (West Gate).....	35 00
Fuel.....	175 00
Repairs on Seranton Home..	25 00
Scholarships.....	540 00
Total.....	\$2,010 00

Japan.

<i>Hakodate</i> , Literature teacher. \$	240 00
Pupil teacher.....	40 00
Scholarships.....	280 00
<i>Hirosaki</i> , Teacher 3rd and 4th grade.....	75 00
Bible-woman.....	72 00
<i>Yamaguti</i> , Bible-woman.....	72 00
<i>Aoyama</i> , Scholarships.....	360 00
Science teacher.....	234 00
Industrial school scholarship.....	80 00
<i>Yokohama</i> , Scholarships in Industrial school.....	320 00
Insurance.....	200 00
Ground rent.....	60 00
Preparatory teacher.....	72 00
Graduate teacher.....	40 00
<i>Yamabukicho</i> , School and kindergarten.....	600 00
Fuel and lights.....	75 00
Miss Baucus.....	25 00
Total.....	\$2,845 00

South Japan.

<i>Nagasaki</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 280 00
Home salary of Miss Lee ..	300 00
Total.....	\$ 580 00

North China.

Salary of Miss Glover.....	\$ 750 00
Salary of Miss Gilman.....	750 00
Salary of Miss Croucher.....	750 00
Salary of Dr. Terry.....	750 00
Salary of Miss Young.....	750 00
Work.....	2,500 00
Total.....	\$6,250 00

Central China.

<i>Nanking</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 120 00
City school teacher.....	30 00
Boarding school matron.....	20 00
Total.....	\$ 170 00

West China.

<i>Chentu</i> , Salary of Miss Collier. \$	450 00
General work.....	350 00
General work.....	125 00
Total.....	\$ 925 00

Foochow.

<i>Foochow</i> , Boarding school....	\$ 240 00
Orphanage.....	60 00
Debt on Orphanage.....	100 00
<i>Ku Cheng</i> , Woman's school...	150 00
Bible woman.....	50 00
Day school.....	25 00
Salary of Miss Hartford.....	600 00
Incidentals to the work.....	150 00
<i>Hai Tang</i> , Woman's school....	300 00
Bible-women.....	96 00
Day schools and traveling..	210 00
Total.....	\$1,981 00

Hing Hua.

<i>Ing Chung</i> , Miss Todd's home salary and return.....	\$ 750 00
Bible-woman.....	75 00
Total.....	\$ 825 00

Bulgaria.

<i>Loftcha</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 80 00
Matron and other service....	220 00
Total.....	\$ 300 00

Italy.

<i>Rome</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 300 00
Total.....	\$ 300 00

South America.

<i>Rosario</i> , Assistants.....	\$ 400 00
Scholarships.....	200 00
School supplies.....	30 00
One-half repairs and taxes...	200 00
Improvement of sewers.....	50 00
Salary of Miss Kneeland.....	650 00
Furniture.....	50 00
<i>Montevideo</i> , scholarships.....	100 00
Taxes.....	170 00
Insurance.....	40 00
Interest.....	150 00
School supplies.....	100 00
<i>Buenos Ayres</i> , Rent.....	20 00
Teacher.....	200 00
Scholarship.....	83 00
Total.....	\$2,603 00

Mexico.

<i>Mexico</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 150 00
School supplies.....	200 00
Bible-woman.....	100 00
<i>Miraflores</i> , Native teacher....	240 00
Assistant.....	210 00
Porter.....	70 00
<i>Pachuca</i> , One assistant.....	174 00
Scholarship.....	150 00
Water tax and repairs.....	86 00
<i>Puebla</i> , Second assistant.....	320 00
Scholarships.....	150 00
Total.....	\$1,850 00

SUMMARY.

North India.....	\$7,309 00
North West India.....	1,624 00
Bombay, India.....	1,000 00
South India.....	1,797 00
Bengal-Burma, India.....	350 00
Total for India.....	12,080 00
Malaysia.....	1,386 00
Korea.....	2,010 00
North Japan.....	2,845 00
Central Japan.....	
South Japan.....	580 00
Total for Japan.....	3,425 00
North China.....	6,250 00
Central China.....	170 00
West China.....	925 00
Foochow, China.....	1,981 00
Hing Hua, China.....	825 00
Total for China.....	10,151 00
Bulgaria.....	300 00
Italy.....	300 00
South America.....	2,603 00
Mexico.....	1,850 00
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	\$34,105 00

NEW YORK BRANCH.

North India.

Kumaon District.

Naini Tal, Bible Women, \$	25 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50 00
Dwarahat, Scholarship.....	96 00
Pithoragarh, Miss Budden's salary.....	325 00
Miss Hayes' salary.....	240 00
Miss Oram, salary.....	200 00
Scholarships.....	160 00
Woman's Home.....	320 00
Half scholarships.....	48 00
Expenses to conference.....	17 00
Conveyance, (half).....	60 00
Bible women.....	96 00
Mrs. Newman's two Bible-women.....	100 00
Itinerating.....	40 00
Accountant.....	24 00

Garhwal District.

Pauri, Third assistant or matron.....	180 00
Scholarships.....	96 00
Teachers.....	72 00
Medicines.....	33 00
One medical scholarship.....	40 00
Munshi for two assistants.....	32 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman "Sarah".....	50 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman "Eleanor Gill".....	50 00

Moradabad District.

Moradabad, Scholarships.....	60 00
Evangelistic work, under Miss Means.....	

Bible-readers, Caroline Richards, Georgiana Dempster and Lavinia Howard	140 00
Conveyance.....	90 00
Bijnour, Scholarships.....	40 00

Bareilly District.

Bareilly, Orphanage.....	
Miss Fanny English's salary.....	650 00
Scholarships.....	1,680 00
First assistant.....	240 00
Second assistant.....	220 00
Matron (half).....	100 00
Agra scholarships.....	80 00
Repairs.....	160 00
Miss Wilson, City schools.....	133 00
Mohulla and village work.....	165 00
Bible-women.....	160 00
Conveyances.....	120 00
Women's school, teachers.....	100 00
Books and incidentals.....	10 00

Faridpur, Bible-women and schools.....	64 00
Khera-Bajhera, Bible-women and schools.....	33 00
Shahjahanpur, East, Bible-women.....	100 00
Conveyance.....	33 00
Widows.....	67 00
Four city schools.....	53 00
Repairs.....	17 00

Katra, Bible-women and schools.....	48 00
Budaon, Sigler Girls School, Miss Kate O. Curtz Salary	650 00
First Assistant.....	200 00
Aonla, Bible-women and teachers.....	132 00
Kakrala, Bible-women and teachers.....	88 00
Binawar, Bible-women and teachers.....	80 00
Ujhaini, Bible-women and teachers.....	72 00
Bils, Bible-women and teachers.....	100 00
Bisauli, Bible-women and teachers.....	130 00
Dataganj, Bible-women and teachers.....	72 00
Bhamora, Bible-women and teachers.....	60 00

Pilibhitt District, Supported by Buffalo District, Genesee Conference, N. Y.....	1,000 00
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Oudh District.

Lucknow, Zenana and village work, conveyances.....	140 00
Bible-women.....	84 00
Circuit work, Bible-women.....	76 00
Sitapur, Boarding school, Miss Grace I. Loper's salary.....	650 00
Scholarships.....	120 00
Matron.....	100 00

Hardoi District.

Hardoi, Scholarships.....	200 00
Teachers.....	72 00

One Christian Chankidar....	\$ 16 00
Repairs.....	32 00
Municipal tax.....	12 00
Matron.....	16 00
Bible-women.....	74 00
Mrs. Tupper's itinerating...	20 00
House rent.....	6 00
<i>Sandila</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	20 00
<i>Safarpur</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	24 00
<i>Sande</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	44 00
<i>Unao</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	100 00
<i>Pahani</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	48 00
<i>Belgram</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	65 00
<i>Malawam</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	32 00
<i>Shahabad</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	216 00

Gonda District.

<i>Baratch</i> , Schools.....	44 00
Conveyance.....	53 00
Itinerating.....	20 00
Bible-women and teachers..	98 00
<i>Kasarganj</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	26 00
<i>Bhinga</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	63 00
<i>Nanpara</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	40 00
<i>Ellenpur and Mankapur</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	120 00

Total for North India....\$12,132 00

North West India.

Agra District.

<i>Agra</i> , Assistant.....	\$ 240 00
Day schools.....	60 00
Bible-women.....	240 00
Conveyance.....	67 00
Jinricksha.....	16 00
Itinerating.....	34 00
Wheel-tax.....	8 00
Books and repairs.....	17 00
<i>Muttra</i> , Native Scholarships..	200 00
Village women.....	80 00
Conveyance.....	100 00
Itinerating.....	100 00
Bible-woman.....	30 00
<i>Brindaban</i> , Bible-women....	84 00

Allahabad District.

<i>Allahabad</i> , Orphanage Assistant.....	\$ 200 00
Scholarships.....	150 00
<i>Cawnpore</i> , Scholarships.....	600 00

Bible-women with Mrs. Hoskins.....	\$ 400 00
Itinerating.....	34 00
Assistant (partial).....	100 00
District Evangelistic work..	20 00
Two high school scholarships	72 00

Meerut District.

<i>Meerut</i> , Scholarships.....	90 00
District and city work with Mrs. Buck; Bible-women.	200 00
Itinerating for missionary..	27 00
Evangelistic work.....	84 00

Total for North West India. \$3,253 00

Bombay.

Bombay District.

<i>Bombay</i> , Evangelistic work, Mrs. Fritchley, salary.....	\$ 280 00
Mrs. Bhimjibhoy, salary.....	160 00
Mrs. Shantiboi David, salary	140 00
Emily Bai Abraham.....	60 00
Kitiji Sultan.....	60 00
Conveyance.....	340 00
Scholarships.....	600 00
Taxes (half).....	100 00
Miss Christina Lawson's home salary.....	350 00
Miss Christina Lawson's traveling expenses.....	325 00
Miss Elizabeth Nicholls' salary.....	650 00
Miss Hunt, salary.....	300 00
<i>Poona</i> , Miss Martelle Elliott's salary.....	650 00
Miss Martelle Elliott's furniture.....	100 00
Scholarships.....	100 00

Central Provinces District.

<i>Narsingpur</i> , Bible-women.....	92 00
Conveyance.....	100 00

Gujarat District.

<i>Ahmedabad</i> , Two Bible-women	80 00
<i>Baroda</i> , Orphans.....	200 00

Total for Bombay.....\$4,687 00

South India.

Hyderabad District.

<i>Secunderabad</i> , Munshi.....	34 00
Conveyance.....	40 00
Schools.....	80 00
Bible-women.....	67 00

Madras District.

Kolar, Scholarships.....	\$ 272 00
(Miss Fisher) nine widows...	144 00
Miss Reay.....	200 00
Munshi.....	19 00
Bible-women.....	60 00
Madras, Mrs. Jones' salary (half).....	170 00
(Miss Stephens) Taxes.....	200 00
Mrs. Marschner.....	200 00
Munshi.....	20 00
Conveyances for Miss Stephens, Mrs. Jones, two assistants and B. W.	220 00
Scholarships.....	816 00
Matron.....	180 00
Three city and six village schools.....	468 00
Bible-women.....	124 00
Miss Stephens, return pass- age.....	250 00

Raichur District.

Gulbarga, Conveyance.....	160 00
Bible-women.....	90 00
Matron.....	200 00
Teachers.....	80 00
Scholarships.....	160 00
Rent for school and dormi- tory.....	120 00

Total for South India.... \$4,314 00

Bengal Burma.

Asansol District.

Bholpur, Bible-woman, (Re- becca).....	\$ 44 00
Teacher.....	40 00
Village Schools.....	12 00
Two Jhees.....	28 00
Repairs.....	12 00
Bullock cart for village work	28 00
Pakur, Orphans.....	180 00
Rent and Repairs.....	50 00

Burma District.

Rangoon, Scholarship.....	80 00
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Calcutta District.

Bengali work, Bible-women...	136 00
Mollie Quick Scholarship....	30 00
Scholarships.....	100 00
Miss Maxey's salary.....	325 00
Miss Moyer's salary.....	600 00
Rent for Deaconess Home (half).....	400 00
Calcutta Girl's School, Orphans.....	200 00

Tirhoot District.

Mozaffarpur, Miss Soder- strom's salary.....	650 00
Bible-woman.....	40 00
Conveyance.....	100 00
Rent for home and school...	200 00

Total for Bengal \$3,255 00

Malaysia Mission.

Kuala Lumpur, Mrs. M. C. Meek's salary.....	\$ 425 00
Mrs. M. C. Meeks, Vernacu- lar Teacher.....	57 00
Scholarships.....	40 00
Mrs. Meek's work.....	78 00

Total for Malaysia..... \$600 00

North Japan.

Hakodate District.

Hakodate, Caroline Wright, me- morial school.	
Miss Minnie S. Hampton, salary.....	\$ 600 00
Miss Minnie S. Hampton, Incidentals.....	150 00
School, ground rent.....	65 00
Insurance.....	90 00
Repairs.....	300 00
Scholarships.....	600 00
Chinese teacher, Mr. Uno...	288 00
Matron.....	87 00
Pupil Assistant, Fugita Nari	40 00
Industrial School Teacher, Mrs. Tamamota.....	60 00
Industrial school, rent....	25 00
Evangelistic work, Bible- woman's house rent.....	40 00
Evangelistic work, Bible- woman's salary, Ishizuka Yoshi.....	72 00
Evangelistic Work, Bible- woman's salary, Mrs. Yamaka.....	43 00
Hirosaki, Girl's School, Teacher Eighth Grade.....	260 00
Teacher, Sewing.....	75 00
Assistant.....	50 00
Nurse girl's school, teacher..	30 00
Nurse girl's school, assistant	25 00
Aomori, Bible-woman, Iniuma O. Sumi San.....	30 00
Foshida, Children's meetings, rent and travel.....	30 00
Monthly meetings (travel) ..	30 00
Travel of Miss Alexander....	25 00

Total for North Japan... \$3,015 00

Central Japan.

Sendai, Bible-woman's salary, Hirabayashi.....	72 00
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Tokyo District.

Aoyama, Insurance, Jo Gakuui	150 00
Scholarships.....	160 00
Harrison Memorial Indus- trial School Scholarships	80 00
Tsukiji, Bible-woman, Miss Tsujita.....	72 00
Mita, Bible-woman, Miss Akiho	72 00
Bible-women travel.....	16 00
Yokohama, Higgins Mem. Training school scholar- ships.....	120 00
Literary work of Miss Baucus, Tokiwa, etc.....	150 00
Bible-women.....	72 00

Nagoya District.

<i>Nagoya</i> , Miss Anna P. Atkinson, salary.....	\$ 600 00
Miss Anna P. Atkinson, Incidentals	150 00
Miss Anna P. Atkinson, travel.....	100 00
Teacher, Chinese and Japanese (half)	110 00
Teacher, Intermediate department.....	140 00
Teacher, assistant.....	50 00
Support of Ichiku Haru.....	40 00
Second church, Bible-woman.....	72 00
Itinerating (one-third).....	25 00

Total for Central Japan.. \$2,251 00

South Japan.

<i>Nagasaki</i> , Kwassu Jo Gakko scholarships.....	\$ 600 00
Teacher, Japanese literature.....	180 00
<i>Fukuoka</i> , Two scholarships.....	80 00
<i>Kagoshima</i> , Miss Jennie M. Gheer, salary	600 00
Miss Jennie M. Gheer, Incidentals	150 00
Miss Lida Smith, salary.....	600 00
Miss Lida Smith, incidentals.....	150 00
Salary, rent and travel, Mrs. Oshima.....	110 00
Salary, rent and travel, Mrs. Kubo.....	55 00
Salary, rent and travel, Miss Kawakubo.....	100 00
Salary, rent and travel, Miss Imai.....	80 00
Salary, rent and travel, Miss Toshiizaki.....	80 00
Salary, rent and travel, Miss Fujiwara.....	80 00
Salary, rent and travel, Miss Morioka.....	80 00
<i>Loochoo Islands</i> , Miss Kurihara Tori.....	65 00
Salary, Miss Gheer's assistant.....	50 00
Sunday school supplies.....	35 00
District travel, Misses Gheer and Smith	300 00
House rent and taxes.....	240 00

Total for South Japan.... \$3,595 00

Korea.

<i>Seoul</i> , Ewa School, Scholarships.....	\$ 520 00
Native teacher, Grace Hall.....	60 00
Chapel furniture.....	25 00
Woman's Hospital, inpatients.....	125 00
Fuel.....	125 00
Repairs.....	175 00
Drugs and instruments.....	200 00
Dr. Cutler's home salary.....	350 00
Dr. Cutler's returning home.....	300 00
<i>Tai Sung</i> , Bible-woman, Sarah Kim.....	50 00
Bible-woman, Mrs. Hannah Chang.....	50 00
Kesu.....	50 00

Chairman.....	\$ 50 00
Day school.....	50 00
Day school, Mrs. Chiné (Sarah Kim).....	50 00
Mrs. Scranton's itinerating (half)	60 00
Mrs. Scranton's salary and incidentals (half).....	375 00
Bible-woman, Mrs. Almira Kim, Alice Barr.....	50 00
Bible-woman, Mrs. Melissa Kim	50 00
<i>Chon Dong</i> , Mrs. Newnan's B. W.	50 00
Bible-woman.....	50 00
<i>East Gate</i> , Repairs on Scranton Home (half).....	25 00
Fuel.....	65 00
<i>Pyeng Yang</i> , Dispensary assistants.....	100 00
Bible-woman Susan.....	50 00
Bible-woman	50 00
Blind girls' class.....	60 00
Blind girl, Pongnai	40 00
Fuel	45 00
Bible-woman Chinampo	50 00
Dispensary Bible-woman Ada.....	50 00
Itinerating.....	50 00
Dr. Rosetta Hall, salary.....	600 00
Dr. Rosetta Hall, incidentals	150 00
Dr. Rosetta Hall, travel to annual meeting	25 00
Drugs and instruments.....	125 00
<i>Chemulpo</i> , Day school.....	50 00
Bible-woman Helen.....	50 00
Bible-woman Helena.....	50 00
<i>General Medical Traveling</i>	75 00
Freights and duty (half).....	50 00
Printing annual reports.....	25 00
Outfit, passage and salary for Miss Ethel Etey.....	1,000 00
Outfit, passage and salary for Miss Alice Hammond.....	1,000 00

Total for Korea..... \$ 6,600 00

North China.

<i>Peking</i> , Mrs. C. M. Jewell, salary	\$ 600 00
Mrs. C. M. Jewell incidentals.....	150 00
Scholars and Bible-women.....	650 00
<i>Shan Tung</i> , Mrs. Wang and Mrs. Li.....	100 00
<i>Tientsin</i> , Scholars and Bible-women	400 00
<i>Tsun Hua</i> , Scholars and Bible-women.....	600 00

Total for North China ... \$2,500 00

Central China.

<i>Kiu Kiang</i> , Miss Carrie J. Dreilbies, salary.....	\$ 600 00
Miss Carrie J. Dreilbies, incidentals.....	150 00
Girls' school, scholarships.....	150 00
Three orphans.....	60 00
Teachers (partial).....	30 00

Day school, three teachers ..	75 00
Rent and Incidentals	25 00
Two Bible-women.....	60 00
Itinerating	25 00
Wuhu, Miss Emma Mitchell, salary.....	600 00
Miss Emma Mitchell, inci- dentals.....	150 00
Bible-woman and itinerating	100 00
Day school teachers.....	75 00
Day school books.....	15 00
House rent.....	100 00
Gateman	15 00
Chair coolies.....	50 00
Nanking, Scholarships.....	45 00
Chinkiang, Miss Lucy Hoag, M. D., salary.....	600 00
Miss Lucy Hoag, M. D., inci- dentals.....	150 00
Scholarships.....	150 00
Orphans.....	240 00
Medical work, drugs and appliances (part).....	200 00
Assistants.....	90 00
Traveling expenses.....	20 00
Food for patients.....	20 00

Total for Central China. \$3,795 00

Foochow Conference.

Foochow, Woman's school (part). ..	\$ 150 00
Insurance.....	15 00
Bible-women.....	120 00
Girl's boarding school.....	160 00
Orphan.....	240 00
Miss Phoebe Wells, return home.....	300 00
Miss Phoebe Wells' home salary.....	350 00
Miss Florence Plumb, outfit, passage and salary	1,000 00
Ming Chiang, Miss May Carle- ton, M. D., home salary..	350 00
Medical work (conditional)..	450 00
Kucheng, Miss Allie Linam, return home.....	300 00
Miss Allie Linam, home salary.....	350 00
Woman's school.....	150 00
Bible-women.....	200 00
Day schools and traveling...	200 00
Girl's boarding school	20 00
Miss Glenk's salary.....	600 00
Miss Glenk's incidentals. . .	150 00
Insurance.....	40 00
Publishing conference min- utes (half).....	25 00

Total for Foochow \$5,170 00

Hing Hua Conference.

Hing Hua, two Bible-women..	\$ 50 00
Total for Hing Hua.....	\$ 50 00

South America.

Buenos Ayres, House rent (half).....	600 00
Miss Eleanor Le Huray, salary.....	600 00
Miss Eleanor Le Huray, inci- dentals.....	150 00
Assistant teacher (half) ..	400 00
Bible-woman.....	100 00
Servants.....	275 00
Taxes and repairs.....	200 00
Physician.....	75 00
School supplies	200 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50 00
Scholarships.....	668 00
Miss Isabel Waidman's ex- penses home	200 00
Miss Isabel Waidman's home salary.....	350 00
Montevideo, Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman.....	50 00
Interest on building	200 00
Peru, Miss Elsie Wood, home salary.....	350 00
Teacher.....	400 00

Total for South America. \$4,868 00

Africa.

Africa.....	\$ 122 00
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Total for Africa.. . . . \$ 122 00

Mexico.

Mexico City, Scholarships.....	\$ 350 00
Native professor.....	240 00
Insurance.....	45 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50 00
Pachuca, Miss Eleazar Perez...	174 00
Miss R. Rivera.....	174 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50 00
Scholarships.....	150 00
Puebla, Miss M. Tovar.	150 00
Miss Manriquez.....	180 00
Matron.....	180 00
Scholarships.....	200 00

Total for Mexico..... \$1,943 00

Bulgaria.

Loftcha, Miss Getchova.....	\$ 150 00
Scholarship.....	40 00

Total for Bulgaria..... \$ 190 00

Italy.

Rome, Miss Ida M. Bowne, salary	\$ 600 00
Miss Ida M. Bowne, incident- als.....	150 00
Isabel Clark Crêche.....	150 00
Scholarships, Margaret Moses	50 00
Scholarships, Elsa Elstott....	50 00
Scholarships, Sarah T. Stacey	50 00
Scholarships, Iside Bocci....	50 00

Scholarships, Harriet Graham	50 00
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	50 00
Sewing teacher.....	125 00
Matron.....	200 00
Pisa, Bible-woman, Miss Biondi	135 00

Total for Italy \$1,660 00

Summary.

India, North	12,132 00
North West.....	3,253 00
Bombay.....	4,687 00
South India	4,314 00
Bengal Burma.....	3,255 00
Malaysia	600 00

Total for India.....\$28,241 00

China, North.	2,500 00
Central	3,795 00
Foochow	5,170 00
Hing Hua.....	50 00

Total for China.....\$11,515 00

Japan, North	3,015 00
Central	2,251 00
South.....	3,595 00

Total for Japan \$8,861 00

Korea	6,600 00
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South America, Buenos Aires.	3,868 00
Montevideo.....	250 00
Peru	750 00

Total for South America.....\$4,868 00

Mexico	\$1,943 00
Italy.....	1,660 00
Bulgaria.....	190 00
Africa	122 00

Grand total.....\$64,000 00

Twentieth Century Thank Offering.

Foochow, Debt on orphanage. \$	150 00
Rome, Debt on Via Garibaldi orphanage.....	250 00
New York room in Crandon Hall.....	100 00
Poona, On building, conditionally.....	1,000 00
Baroda, Orphanage children's thank offering.....	200 00
Korea, Pyeng Yang, Finishing and furnishing hospital..	1,000 00
Addition to Home	1,500 00
China, Nan Chang, Building..	7,000 00
Ming Chiang, Hospital....	1,500 00
South America, Buenos Aires, Boarding school.....	5,000 00
	\$17,700 00

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH.

North India.

Lobha Circuit, Bible work ...	\$ 25 00
Pithoragarh, Scholarships.....	90 00
Paurl, Salary Miss T. J. Kyle.	650 00
First assistant, Miss Lawrence.....	220 00
Scholarships.....	288 00
Medical scholarships at Agra	40 00
Village schools under Mrs. Gill.....	96 00
Bijnour, Scholarships	60 00
Bareilly, Scholarships.....	200 00
Fourth assistant.....	200 00
Kindergarten	30 00
Scholarships.....	24 00
Itinerating	10 00
Students' wives	60 00
Lucknow, Schools and conveyance.....	133 00
Gonda, First Assistant.....	240 00
Bible-women.....	136 00
Medicine and conveyance...	84 00
Balrampur, Bible work.....	83 00

Total..... \$2,669 00

Northwest India.

Agra, Medical home	\$ 500 00
Multra, Bible readers.....	200 00
Itinerating	17 00
Allahabad, Scholarships.....	90 00
Assistant for evangelistic work.....	140 00
Bible readers.....	157 00
Jinrikisha	17 00
Itinerating	34 00
Cawnpore, Native school	
Scholarships	225 00
Bible-women	88 00
High school scholarships....	36 00

Total, ... \$ 1,504 00

South India.

Hyderabad, Bible-women ...	190 00
Scholarships	64 00
Kolar, Scholarships	64 00
Miss Eva Peters, partial support.....	40 00
Day schools	120 00

Total.....\$ 478 00

Bombay.

Bombay City, Zenana Visitor, Miss Forbes.....	\$ 220 00
Scholarships.....	60 00
Jubbulpore, Salary, Miss Louisa Heafer	650 00
Baroda, Salary Miss Katharine Spears.....	650 00
Salary Miss Mary E. Williams	450 00
Teacher, Miss McPherson....	220 00
Matron	180 00

House rent	550 00
School rent	100 00
Conveyance	100 00
Eight teachers	305 00
Scholarships	1,600 00
Evangelistic school	300 00
Teacher, Gircabai Joseph ..	60 00
Medical work, assistant Miss Nueran	220 00
Bible-women	60 00
Medical work	400 00
Total	\$ 6,125 00

Bengal-Burma.

Rangoon, Salary, Miss Illing- worth	\$ 325 00
Muzaffapur, Bible women ..	60 00
Scholarships ..	80 00
Calcutta Dist., Partial salary Miss J. Moyer	50 00
Total	\$ 515 00

Malaysia.

Singapore, Assistant, Mrs. Pierce	\$ 216 00
Bible-woman, Lim Neo	108 00
Scholarships	180 00
Tamil Bible-woman	72 00
Contingencies	60 00
Total	\$ 636 00

North China.

Tientsin, Salary Dr. R. R. Benn	\$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
School and medical work	1,250 00
Total	\$ 2,000 00

Central China.

Kiu Kiang, Scholarships	\$ 120 00
Bible-women	60 00
Chiu Kiang, Salary Miss L. M. White	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	75 00
Teachers	120 00
Itinerating	25 00
Total	\$ 1,150 00

Foochow.

Foochow, Conference seminary	\$ 100 00
Medical students	80 00
City hospital expenses	390 00
Repairs	50 00
Salary Dr. Hui King Eng	450 00
Orphanage	120 00
Ku Cheng, Scholarships	60 00
Bible-women	100 00
Total	\$ 1,350 00

North Japan.

Sappora, Bible-woman	\$ 30 00
Hakodate, Salary Miss A. Dick- erson	600 00

Incidentals	\$ 150 00
Salary, Miss F. E. Singer	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Ladies' Home ground rent ..	27 00
Insurance	15 00
Repairs	50 00
Scholarships	360 00
Kindergarten teacher	115 00
Kindergarten assistant	72 00
Hirosaki, Salary Miss E. J. Hewett	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Teacher first and second grades	60 00
Repairs (partial)	25 00
Travel of district supt	50 00

Total for North Japan \$3,054 00

Central Japan.

Tokyo, Aoyama scholarships ..	\$ 480 00
Miss M. A. Spencer's home salary	300 00
Asakusa, Day and night school	350 00
Bible-woman	72 00
Day school visitor	72 00
Travel	40 00
Mizakaido, Bible-woman	72 00
Yokohama, Salary Miss C. H. Spencer	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Nagoya, Nishio Bible-woman ..	72 00
Literary work under Miss Baucus	20 00

Total for Central Japan \$ 2,228 00

South Japan.

Nagasaki Scholarships	\$ 200 00
Fukuoka, Bible-woman, Mrs. Takamori	90 00
Total	\$ 290 00

Korea.

Seoul, Scholarships	\$ 160 00
Dormitory furniture (par- tial)	25 00
Hospital attendants	150 00
Bible-woman Mary	50 00
Tal Sung, Bible-woman Mrs. Ni	50 00
Gateman	50 00
Bible-woman's training school	100 00
Salary Miss Nellie Pierce	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Chong Dong, Bible-woman ..	50 00
Pyeng Yang, Bible-woman	50 00
Day school	50 00
Salary Dr. Esther Kim Pak ..	200 00
Repairs and insurance	75 00
Building for Day and Train- ing School	500 00

Total.....\$ 2,260 00

Bulgaria.

<i>Loftcha</i> , Teacher, Mrs. Gatsa	
Lookanova	150 00
<i>Hotanza</i> , Teacher.....	80 00
Bible-work	100 00
Total	\$ 330 00

Italy.

<i>Rome</i> , Orphanage..	\$ 200 00
Furniture of room.	100 00
Isabel Crèche.....	100 00
Total.....	\$ 400 00

Mexico.

<i>Mexico City</i> , Salary, Miss H. D. Loyd	\$ 600 00
Incidentals..	150 00
Scholarships.....	250 00
Miss Luz Aguilar.....	240 00
Matron	210 00
Treasurer's expenses, ..	40 00
<i>San Vincente</i> , Teacher and school expenses.....	200 00
<i>Puebla</i> , Salary, Miss A. M. Limberger	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Salary, Miss C. M. Purdy. .	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Duarte.....	240 00
Bible-woman.....	105 00
Scholarships.....	200 00
<i>Tetela</i> , Miss Natalia Magos.....	150 00
<i>Guanajuato</i> , Salary, Miss E. M. Dunmore.....	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Rent (partial).....	170 00
Water tax and repairs.....	60 00
First assistant.....	206 00
Scholarships.....	100 00
Total.....	\$ 5,171 00

South America.

<i>Buenos Ayres</i> , Teacher.....	\$ 200 00
Scholarship	83 00
Total	\$ 283 00
Conditional.....	1057 00

Total appropriations \$31,500 00

Twentieth Century Thank Offering.....	\$10,000 00
To be given to buildings in China, India and Italy.	

Summary.

India, North	\$2,669 00
Northwest.	1,504 00
South.....	478 00
Bombay.....	6,125 00
Bengal-Burma.....	515 00
Malaysia	636 00
China, North.....	2,000 00

Central.....	1,150 00
Foochow.....	1,350 00
Japan, North.....	3,054 00
Central	2,228 00
South.....	290 00
Korea.....	2,260 00
Bulgaria.....	330 00
Italy	400 00
Mexico.....	5,171 00
South America	283 00
Contingent.....	1,057 00

Total appropriations.... \$31,500 00

BALTIMORE BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Naini Tal</i> , Assistant's salary	\$ 120 00
Teachers	25 00
Conveyance	70 00
<i>Dwarahat</i> , Scholarships.....	22 00
Itinerating.....	33 00
Bible-women	60 00
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Bible-women ..	80 00
<i>Moradabad</i> , Scholarships.....	70 00
<i>Sambhal Dist.</i> , Bible-women.	44 00
Itinerating.....	12 00
<i>Bareilly</i> , Third assistant.....	220 00
Orphans	120 00
<i>Lucknow</i> , Isabel Hart, scholarships	26 00
<i>Gonda</i> , Scholarships.....	80 00
Conveyance	33 00
Matron	60 00
Medicines	30 00
District work.....	100 00
Total.....	\$1,205 00

North West India.

<i>Muttra</i> , Bible-women..	\$ 80 00
Conveyance	33 00
<i>Aligarh</i> , Evangelistic work... Miss Gallimore's passage and salary.....	250 00
	966 00
Total.....	\$1,329 00

Bombay Conference.

<i>Bombay</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 100 00
R. E. Robinson's passage and salary.....	675 00
Housekeeper	100 00
<i>Poona</i> , Frederick Rice, memorial school.....	100 00
Total.....	\$ 975 00

South India.

<i>Raipur</i> , House rent.....	\$ 160 00
Furniture	50 00
Conveyance	75 00
Assistant	200 00
Muushi.....	40 00

Bible-women	\$ 100 00
Orphans	182 00
Building	100 00
<i>Sironcha</i> , Bible-women and teachers.....	80 00
Conveyance.....	50 00
Medicines.....	10 00
Orphans	80 00
<i>Hyderabad</i> , Elizabeth Snyder school.....	80 00
Miss Ross.....	240 00
Matron.....	80 00
Scholarships	80 00
<i>Bangalore</i> , Miss Fox.....	180 00
Furniture	34 00
<i>Kolar</i> , Scholarships	256 00
Rent.....	50 00
Miss Peters.....	40 00
School.....	40 00
<i>Madras</i> , Miss Stephens, passage and salary.....	495 00
Mrs. Jones	162 00
Orphans.....	448 00
School.....	20 00
Elizabeth	55 00
Bible-women.....	40 00
Sooboonagum	75 00
Perambulator	50 00
Miss Stephens Bangalore work.....	50 00
Total.....	\$3,602 00

Korea.

<i>Seoul</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 400 00
Matron.....	50 00
School.....	35 00
Miss E. A. Lewis' salary.....	600 00
Miss E. A. Lewis' incidentals	150 00
Total.....	\$ 1,235 00

North Japan.

<i>Hakodate</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 120 00
<i>Hirosaki</i> , Bible-woman.....	72 00
Total.....	\$ 192 00

Central Japan.

<i>Tokyo</i> , Scholarships	\$ 240 00
Industrial schools.....	40 00
Teacher penmanship.....	50 00
Teacher embroidery.....	65 00
<i>Yokohama</i> , Fuel and lights.....	50 00
Miss A. G. Lewis' salary.....	600 00
Miss A. G. Lewis' incidentals.....	150 00
Miss A. G. Lewis' travel.....	50 00
Poor school.....	120 00
<i>Nagoya</i> , Miss E. R. Bender's salary.....	600 00
Miss E. R. Bender's incidentals	150 00
Insurance	75 00
Assistant	50 00
Total.....	\$ 2,240 00

South Japan.

<i>Nagasaki</i> , Scholarships	\$ 200 00
Primary teacher.....	50 00
Total.....	\$ 250 00

North China.

<i>Peking</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 150 00
<i>Tientsin</i> , Hospital matron.....	40 00
Dispensary assistant.....	40 00
Total.....	\$ 230 00

Central China.

<i>Chin Kiang</i> , Orphans.....	\$ 30 00
<i>Kiu Kiang</i> , Scholarships	90 00
Gateman.....	25 00
Total.....	\$ 145 00

Foochow.

<i>Foochow</i> , City Girls' boarding school.....	240 00
Orphans.....	240 00
Medical students.....	40 00
City Hospital expenses	75 00
Hospital Bible-women	20 00
Mrs. Tippet's salary.....	550 00
<i>Ming Chiang</i> , Woman's school.....	175 00
<i>Ku Cheng</i> , Day school.....	200 00
Official expenses.....	10 00
Conference minutes	10 00
Total.....	\$ 1,560 00

Hing Hua.

<i>Hing Hua</i> , Hamilton Girl's Scholarship.....	50 00
Juliet Turner woman's school.....	300 00
Total.....	\$ 350 00

Italy.

<i>Rome</i> , Mrs. Mands.....	\$ 95 00
Crèche	35 00
Total for Rome.....	\$ 130 00

Mexico.

<i>Mexico City</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 100 00
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Totals by Countries.

North India	\$ 1,205 00
North West India	1,329 00
Bombay.....	975 00
South India	3,602 00
Total for India.....	\$ 7,111 00
Total for Korea.....	1,235 00
North Japan	\$ 192 00
Central "	2,240 00
South "	250 00
Total for Japan.....	\$ 2,682 00

North China.....	\$ 230 00
Central ".....	145 00
Foochow China.....	1,560 00
Hing Hua.....	350 00

Total for China..... \$ 2,285 00

Total for Italy..... 130 00

Total for Mexico..... 100 00

Grand Total.

India	\$ 7,111 00
Korea	1,235 00
Japan	2,682 00
China	2,285 00
Italy	130 00
Mexico.....	100 00

Total..... \$13,543 00

Thank offering..... 1,200 00

Total..... \$14,743 00

CINCINNATI BRANCH.

North India.

Moradabad, Evangelistic work	
Miss Mary Means.....	\$ 325 00
Boarding school, Miss Alice Means.....	325 00
Scholarships.....	160 00
Bareilly, Orphanage.....	350 00
Budaon, Assistant.....	240 00
Bijnour, Scholarships and medicines.....	160 00
Shahjahanpore, Scholarships..	750 00
Assistants and matron.....	640 00
Medicines, repairs and Kindergarten.....	135 00
Bible-women and schools ..	375 00
Seetapore, Scholarships.....	800 00
Support of school.....	600 00
Bible-women and teachers...	475 00
Gondah, Miss Fannie Scott....	325 00
First assistant.....	200 00
Scholarships.....	400 00
Interest \$120, Conveyance \$30	150 00
Zenana and evangelistic work, Miss Hoge.....	325 00
Rent, repairs and conveyance.....	230 00
Itinerating.....	200 00
Lucknow, Miss I. Thoburn ..	325 00
Persian teacher.....	100 00
First assistant in high school	240 00
Second assistant in high school	220 00
Scholarships	240 00
Repairs.....	100 00
Assistants in Home for Homeless	240 00
Matron and teacher,	225 00
Seetapore, Zenana and circuit work.....	300 00
Barabanki.....	260 00

Total, for North India. \$9,415 00

North West India.

Brindiban, Dr. Emma Scott..	\$ 650 00
Assistant.....	240 00
Medicines	400 00
Conveyance	34 00
Muttra, Scholarships.....	180 00
Allahabad, Boarding School..	90 00
Conference evangelistic work.....	420 00
Cawnpore, Assistant.....	200 00

Total \$2,214 00

South India Conference.

Gulbarga, Dr. I. Ernsberger...	\$ 650 00
Rent and furniture	320 00
Dispensary.....	300 00
Conveyance and repairs	130 00
Haiderabad, Miss Thomas.....	220 00
Vikarabad, Bible-women and helpers.....	300 00
Bangalore, Bible-women and helpers.....	250 00
Sironcha, Scholarships	80 00
Land Tax.....	30 00
Mary Clark Memorial, \$3,000, 20th century.....	
Kolar, Scholarships.....	288 00
Rent for dormitory.....	100 00
Total for Conference general work.....	\$2,668 00
Twentieth Century Pledge ..	3,000 00

Bombay Conference.

Poona, Schools and Bible-women	\$ 850 00
Baroda, Orphanage.....	200 00
Total.....	\$ 1050 00

Bengal-Burma Conference.

Pakur, Miss Jacobson.....	240 00
Bible-women and conveyance.....	150 00
Orphans	280 00
Dispensary and servants.....	150 00
Tirhoot, Miss Campbell.....	325 00
Tumloak, Miss Blair	325 00
Teacher, Bible-woman and rent	225 00
Bengali work under Mrs. Lee	900 00
Rangoon Interest	260 00

Total for Conference... \$2,855 00

Malaysia.

Singapore, Bible-reader.....	72 00
Scholarships.....	140 00
Repairs.....	100 00
Penang, Support of work	225 00
Kuala Lumpur, Miss Anderson.....	600 00

Total for Malaysia \$1,137 00

Manila.

Dr. Anna Norton	\$ 650 00
Support of work	350 00
Miss Wisner.....	650 00
Provisional.....	350 00

Total for Manila Mis.. \$2,000 00

China.

North China, Home salary	
Miss Shockley.....	\$ 350 00
Conditional for North China	1200 00

Total. \$1,550 00

Foochow.

Woman's school, Miss Jewell	\$ 750 00
Support of school	150 00
Bible-women	120 00
Repairs ..	60 00
Boarding school, Miss Bonafield.	750 00
Scholarships.	400 00
Repairs.	90 00
Medical students	80 00

Total for Conference.. \$2,400 00

Hing Hua Conference.

Hing Hua, Scholarships....	\$ 80 00
Lepor day school.....	75 00
Bible-women.....	400 00
Day schools and traveling expenses.....	475 00
Sieng Lu District, Miss Lebeus.	450 00
Woman's school.....	375 00
Day schools and traveling...	420 00
Bible-women.....	400 00

Total for Conference.. \$2,675 00

North Japan.

Sappora, Miss Bing's salary and incidentals.	\$ 750 00
Rent and furniture	210 00
Travel of Superintendent...	100 00
Bible woman.....	70 00
Hakodati, Scholarships.....	160 00

Total Northern Japan. \$1,290 00

Central Japan.

Miss Wilson, salary and incidentals.....	\$ 750 00
Scholarships	200 00
Teachers of drawing and etiquette.....	192 00
Tracts and papers.....	30 00
Mothers' meetings, books and tracts ..	65 00
Sewing teacher, (Harrison Mem.).....	65 00
Nagoya, Teacher	72 00
Literary work	50 00
Shinano District work.	250 00

Total for Central Japan. \$1,674 00

Southern Japan.

Nagasaki, Miss Russell, salary and incidentals.	\$ 750 00
Miss Young.....	750 00
Science teacher \$200, music teacher \$100	300 00
Translations \$75, art department \$250.	325 00
Kindergarten \$75, Chinese \$75	150 00
Industrial \$120, ground rent \$175.	295 00
Scholarships \$500, repairs \$250.....	750 00
Dispensary \$100, Insurance \$175, water tax \$50.....	325 00
Fukuoka, Boarding school, Miss Seed's salary and incidentals.	750 00
Science teacher	300 00
Chinese teacher \$150, mathematics \$100	250 00
Intermediate \$100, translation \$100.....	200 00
Sewing and etiquette \$75, insurance \$120 ..	195 00
Repairs \$100, scholarships \$240 ..	340 00
Bible-woman and schools ..	300 00
Koga, Orphanage.....	2,200 00

Total for regular work. \$8,904 00

Korea.

Seoul, Girls' school scholarships	\$ 480 00
Books and Stationery \$50, gatemen, \$50	100 00
Miss Frey, salary and incidentals.	750 00
Woman's Hospital, Dr. Emma Ernberger	750 00
Drugs and instruments \$50, repairs \$50	100 00
Two Bible-women	100 00
East Gate Hospital, Dr. Lillian Harris	750 00
Drugs and instruments...	175 00
Dispensary fuel	50 00
" Gateman	50 00
Repairs on Baldwin dispensary	75 00
Bible-woman \$50, supplies \$25	75 00
Out-building \$100, insurance \$25.....	125 00
Assistant	50 00

Total for present work, \$3,630 00
Sending Missionary..... 1,000 00

Mexico.

Mexico City, Miss Ayres salary and incidentals.....	\$ 750 00
Miss Sarah Aceres.....	240 00
Miss Alatia Canesco.	210 00
Porter.	150 00
Repairs and incidentals.....	175 00
Street and water taxes.....	45 00
Scholarships.....	250 00

<i>Puebla</i> , Miss A. Palacios	320 00
Miss Duarte.....	120 00
Porter	140 00
Taxes	240 00
School supplies.....	180 00
Scholarships.....	200 00
<i>Orizaba</i> , support of school ...	250 00

Total for Mexico.....	\$3,270 00
Provisional	\$1,000 00

SUMMARY.

North India Conference.....	\$9,415 00
North-west India Conference..	2,214 00
South India Conference.....	2,775 00
Bombay Conference	1,050 00
Bengal-Burma	2,855 00
Malaysia	1,137 00
North China.	1,550 00
Foochow.....	2,400 00
Hing Hua.....	2,645 00
Maula Mission	2,000 00
North Japan.....	1,230 00
Central Japan.....	1,674 00
Southern Japan.....	5,980 00
Korea	3,630 00
Mexico.....	3,270 00
Italy	350 00
Africa.	300 00

Total Appropriations..	\$44,535 00
Twentieth Century offerings pledged.. ..	\$15,000 00

NORTHWESTERN BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Dwarahat</i> , Assistant.....	\$ 120 00
Scholarships.....	272 00
Teachers.....	48 00
Doctor and medicines.....	33 00
Repairs.....	33 00
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Miss Clegg	200 00
Scholarships	224 00
Teachers.....	90 00
Medicines.....	120 00
Bible-woman	28 00
Medical a-sistant.....	100 00
<i>Pauri</i> , Assistant.....	200 00
Scholarships	192 00
Teacher, Harriet Marsh	28 00
Bible-women	350 00
Medicines.....	50 00
Mrs. Gill's itinerating.....	67 00
<i>Moradabad</i> , Third assistant...	220 00
Scholarships	190 00
Training class	80 00
District work	544 00
Itinerating	100 00
<i>Bijnour</i> , First assistant.....	240 00
Scholarships.....	150 00
Matron and repairs	60 00
Munshi.....	17 00
<i>Bareilly</i> , Scholarships.....	320 00
Miss Wilson.....	650 00
Physician to be sent	550 00
Outfit, furniture and travel- ling expenses.....	650 00

Medical work and repairs ...	\$ 500 00
Medical class	120 00
Bible-woman	28 00
<i>Budon</i> , Scholarships.....	150 00
Matron	120 00
Schools and village work....	368 00
<i>Lucknow</i> , Miss Newton.....	650 00
Miss Brouse.....	650 00
Miss Singh	325 00
Winslow scholarships.....	75 00
High-school assistant.....	200 00
Blind women's support.....	75 00
Evangelistic band	20 00
<i>Gonda</i> , Assistant	240 00
Scholarship	20 00

Total.....\$ 9,469 00

Northwest India.

<i>Muttra</i> , Miss Wright.....	\$ 300 00
Missionary to be sent	300 00
Outfit and travelling ex- penses.....	500 00
Furniture	100 00
Miss Boyd	240 00
English scholarships.....	180 00
Munshi.....	40 00
Repairs.....	40 00
Hindustani scholarships....	345 00
Second assistant.....	206 00
Land rent	34 00
Zenana assistant.....	240 00
<i>Aligarh</i> , Mrs. Matthews.....	300 00
Louisa Soule's boarding school.....	500 00
Scholarships	3,900 00
Widow's Home	500 00
<i>Alahabad</i> , Scholarships.....	765 00
<i>Cawnpore</i> , Mrs. Worthington.	325 00
Scholarships	450 00
Village and mohulla work..	160 00
Conveyance	70 00
Christian day-schools	72 00
<i>Meerut District</i> , Bible-women and Itinerating	490 00

Total.....\$10,091 00

South India.

<i>Kolar</i> , Miss Fisher	\$ 325 00
Miss Peters.....	240 00
Miss Lightle.....	180 00
Miss Fisher, traveling ex- penses.....	300 00
House expenses.....	70 00
Scholarships.....	356 00
Matron.....	200 00
Munshi.....	19 00
Rent	250 00
<i>Madras</i> , Miss Doyle	240 00
Miss Zuleiker Doyle.....	260 00
Scholarships	176 00
Munshi.....	20 00
Conveyances	80 00

Total,\$ 2,696 00

Bombay.

<i>Bombay</i> , Miss Chovey	\$ 140 00
Bible-women	116 00
Miss Williams	200 00
Native teachers	130 00
Scholarships	1,500 00
Conveyance	160 00
Assistant matron	40 00
Gate-keeper	58 00
Taxes	100 00
Building fund	300 00
<i>Telagaon</i> , Miss Porter	650 00
Work	500 00
<i>Poona</i> , Miss Benthien	325 00
Traveling expenses	350 00
Matron	100 00
Building fund	1,000 00
Total,	\$ 5,669 00

Bengal-Burmah.

<i>Asansol</i> , Miss Forster	\$ 550 00
Miss Lamb	400 00
Scholarships	1200 00
Bible-women	76 00
Itinerating	40 00
<i>Calcutta</i> , Miss Craig	325 00
Miss Stahl, home salary ..	350 00
Miss Biswas	240 00
Orphanage	360 00
Rent and incidentals	400 00
<i>Mazefferpur</i> , Orphanage ..	140 00
<i>Darjeeling</i> , Miss McKinley ..	600 00
Total	\$ 4,681 00

for India

\$32,606 00

Malaysia,

<i>Singapore</i> , Matron	\$ 144 00
Scholarships	100 00
Contingencies	100 00
Interest	200 00
Total	\$ 544 00

China.

<i>Peking</i> , Dr. Gloss	\$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Dr. Martin	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Martin	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Contingent for the work ..	1,750 00

Total

\$ 4,000 00

Central China.

<i>Kiu Kiang</i> , Miss Howe ..	\$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Merrill	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Dr. Kuhn	350 00
Scholarships	225 00
Teachers	90 00
Woman's training school ..	150 00
Teachers	50 00

Cook	\$ 20 00
School supplies	15 00
Repairs on home and school ..	100 00
Medical work	500 00
<i>Nanking</i> , Miss Shaw home salary	175 00
Return salary	350 00
Miss Peters home salary	350 00
Travelling expenses	300 00
Mrs. Davis	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Rowley	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	200 00
Repairs	50 00
Boarding-school teachers ..	115 00
Books	25 00
Woman's training-school ..	150 00
Teachers	40 00
Matron	32 00
Bible-women and itinerating	30 00
Teachers travelling expenses	30 00
<i>Chin Kiang</i> , Miss Robinson ..	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	60 00

Total

\$7,157 00

West China.

<i>Chung King</i> , Dr. Ketrang	300 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Decker	300 00
Incidentals	150 00
Medical work	500 00
Scholarships	140 00
Incidentals for school	75 00
Bible-women	65 00
Repairs of Deaconess Home ..	100 00
<i>Chentu</i> , Day-school	50 00
Bible-woman	40 00

Total

\$1,870 00

Foochow.

<i>Foochow</i> , Day-schools and traveling	300 00
Scholarships	200 00
Hospital expenses	980 00
Insurance	65 00
Repairs	150 00
Orphanage	240 00
Dr. Lyon's home salary	350 00
" " travelling expenses ..	600 00
<i>Ming Chiang</i> , Miss Longstreet	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Peter's travelling ex-	
penses	350 00
Home salary	350 00
Woman's school	100 00
Bible-women	168 00
<i>Ku Cheng</i> , Romanized class ..	250 00
Scholarships	200 00
<i>Iong Bing</i> , Girl's and Women's	
boarding school	210 00
Bible-women	100 00
Day-schools and traveling ..	240 00
<i>Ngu Cheng</i> , Dr. Masters ..	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Hospital expenses	500 00

Repairs and insurance.....	\$ 75 00
Miscellaneous, Publishing Conference minutes	15 00
Boatmen.....	30 00
Total.....	\$6,973 00

Hing Hua.

Hing Hua, Miss Wilson.....	\$ 450 00
New Missionary.....	450 00
Outfit, furniture and traveling expenses.....	600 00
Bible-women	100 00
Scholarships.....	90 00
Ing Chung, Boarding-school.....	300 00
Day-schools and Bible-women	250 00
Total.....	\$2,240 00

Korea.

Seoul, Scholarships.....	\$ 280 00
Fuel.....	175 00
Repairs and insurance.....	300 00
Furniture.....	50 00
Pyeng Yang, Day-school.....	50 00
Total.....	\$ 855 00

Japan.

Hakodate, Scholarships.....	\$ 240 00
Mathematics teacher.....	240 00
Preparatory	115 00
Teacher, O Node San.....	105 00
Hirosaki, Kindergarten assistant	100 00
Aoyama Miss Ailing.....	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Repairs and painting.....	200 00
Scholarships.....	650 00
Watchman	54 00
Chinese teacher	273 00
Literature teacher.....	100 00
Translation teacher	116 00
Music teacher.....	216 00
Kindergarten teacher.....	144 00
Primary teacher	116 00
Tokiji, Ground rent.....	182 00
Fukigawa, Day-school.....	350 00
Yokohama, Mrs. Van Petten's home salary	350 00
Traveling expenses	250 00
Fuel and lights.....	150 00
Repairs	75 00
Books and tracts.....	75 00
Training-school scholarships	280 00
Travel.....	40 00
Bible-teacher	180 00
Music teacher.....	80 00
Pupil teacher.....	40 00
Day-schools	675 00
Literary work.....	50 00
Nagoya, Mathematics and science teacher.....	180 00

Music teacher.....	\$ 75 00
Repairs	60 00
Bible-woman.....	72 00
City work.....	50 00
Itinerating.....	24 00

Total..... \$6,687 00

South Japan.

Nagasaki, Miss Melton.....	\$ 650 00
Incidentals	150 00
Mathematics teacher.....	350 00
Scholarships	200 00
Bible-school assistants	100 00
City work.....	150 00
Fukuoka, Scholarships	240 00
Bible-woman, Mrs. Touda ..	55 00
Yanagawa, Bible-woman, Mrs. Hara	80 00

Total..... \$ 1,925 00
Total for Japan..... \$ 8,612 00

Mexico.

Mexico City, Scholarships.....	\$ 300 00
Kindergarten, teacher and supplies.....	500 00
Doctor and medicines.....	70 00
Miraflores, Rent.....	40 00
Sewing and drawing teacher	100 00
Furniture and supplies	75 00
Pachuca, Miss Bohannon.....	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Music teacher	165 00
Kindergarten teacher.....	174 00
Scholarships	75 00
School and dormitory supplies	204 00
Porter.....	115 00
Puebla, Normal teacher	250 00
Kindergarten	200 00
Scholarships.....	200 00
Dormitory supplies.....	25 00
Apizaco, Miss Rodriguez.....	210 00
Assistant.....	70 00
School supplies.....	75 00
Rent	40 00
Guanajuato, Kindergarten and sewing teacher.....	100 00
Primary teacher	180 00
Porter.....	80 00
Rent	175 00
Scholarships	150 00
School supplies.....	85 00
Miss Chowning	550 00
Panolla, Teachers, rent and supplies	200 00
Tetela, Teachers, rent and supplies.....	375 00

Total for Mexico..... \$5,533 00

South America.

Montivideo, Miss Hewitt.....	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	200 00
Taxes and repairs.....	350 00
Porter	100 00
English teacher.....	400 00

Assistants.....	\$ 850 00
Interest.....	200 00
Buenos Ayres, Scholarships..	166 00
Rent.....	400 00
Rosario, Scholarships.....	500 00
Teachers.....	900 00
Sewer repairs.....	50 00

Total..... \$1,866 00

Italy.

Rome, Miss Vickery.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Miss Beazell.....	400 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Mlle. De Lord.....	500 00
Property.....	2,000 00
Furniture.....	400 00
Scholarships.....	200 00
Contingent.....	200 00
Miss Odgers.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Day-teachers.....	500 00
Taxes and insurance.....	200 00
Repairs.....	125 00
Payment on Garibaldi property.....	250 00

Total..... \$6,425 00

Bulgaria.

Lofcha, Miss Blackburn.....	\$ 600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Miss Davis.....	400 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Traveling expenses.....	250 00
Furniture.....	100 00
Miss Raichera.....	330 00
Miss Dobrev.....	150 00
Scholarships.....	240 00
Incidentals and repairs.....	100 00
Books and apparatus.....	50 00
Traveling expenses.....	50 00

Total..... \$2,570 00

Switzerland.

Hertsan.....	\$ 50 00
Lausanne.....	150 00
Zurich.....	50 00

Total..... \$ 250 00

South Germany.

Pirmasens.....	\$ 50 00
Strasburg.....	50 00

Total..... \$ 100 00

North Germany.

Zwickau ..	\$ 100 00
Schneeberg.....	50 00
Chemnitz.....	50 00

Total..... \$ 200 00

Africa.

Quessua, Miss Zentmire ..	\$ 500 00
Scholarships.....	300 00
Contingent..	200 00

Total..... \$1,000 00

The Philippines.

Manila, Mrs. Moots.....	\$ 425 00
Rent.....	250 00

Total..... \$ 675 00

Summary.

India.....	\$32,606 00
Malaysia.....	544 00
China.....	22,238 00
Japan.....	8,612 00
Korea.....	855 00
Mexico.....	5,533 00
South America.....	4,866 00
Italy.....	6,425 00
Bulgaria.....	2,570 00
Switzerland.....	250 00
South Germany.....	100 00
North Germany.....	200 00
Africa.....	1,000 00
Philippines.....	675 00
Contingent.....	3,146 00

Grand total.....\$90,000 00

DES MOINES BRANCH.

North India.

Pithora, Scholarships.....	\$ 368 00
Half scholarships.....	24 00
Bible woman.....	65 00
Pauri, Scholars.....	256 00
Repairs.....	64 00
Bible-women.....	50 00
Moradabad, Miss Frederick.....	240 00
Scholarships.....	80 00
Bijnour, Scholarships.....	30 00
Bareilly, Scholarships.....	200 00
Budaon, Scholars.....	300 00
Repairs and medicines.....	70 00
Teachers.....	90 00
Shahjahanpur, Scholars.....	300 00
Lucknow, Miss Sincar.....	300 00
Mrs. Thoburn, Munshi.....	20 00
College.....	500 00

Total, for North India, \$ 2,957 00

North West India.

Muttra, Miss Gregg.....	325 00
Assistant Tr. school.....	200 00
Scholarships.....	75 00
Village Women.....	80 00
Aligarh, Bible-women.....	390 00
Cawnpore, Miss Lauck.....	650 00
Miss Bobenhouse.....	425 00
Scholars.....	108 00
Debt.....	500 00

<i>Kasganj</i> , Bible-work (con.)....	800 00
<i>Meerut</i> , Scholarships.....	360 00
Miss Harris.....	200 00
Miss Lawson.....	350 00

Total..... \$ 4,463 00

Bombay Conference.

<i>Jubbulpur</i> , Miss David.....	\$ 240 00
Second assistant	200 00
Matron	2 0 00
Scholarships.....	4,400 00
Repairs.....	60 00
Bible-women	160 00
Chota Chundwara school....	32 00
Miss Hyde	650 00
<i>Khandwa</i> , Miss Elicker.....	650 00
Miss Miller	550 00
Assistants	200 00
Scholarships.....	1600 00
Teachers.....	120 00
Repairs and Taxes	20 00
Evangelistic assistant	100 00
Bible-women	90 00
Summer school	30 00
Itinerating	60 00
<i>Burhampur</i> , Bible-women....	68 00
<i>Narsinghpur</i> , Bible-woman....	240 00

Total..... \$9,845 00

South India.

<i>Hyderabad</i> , Miss Wood.	\$ 325 00
Return.....	300 00
Conveyance.....	200 00
House expenses.....	70 00
Scholarships.....	680 00
New Property	6,000 00
Miss Evans	325 00
Munshi	34 00
House expenses.	70 00
Miss Marrett ..	200 00
Munshi	34 00
Conveyance.....	50 00
Miss Tenducy	200 00
Munshi	34 00
Matron	80 00
<i>Kolar</i> , Miss Maskell.....	325 00
House expenses	70 00
Conveyance.....	160 00
Scholarships	272 00
Bible-women	76 00
Eva Peters.....	42 00

Total, for South India..\$10,547 00

Bengal-Burma.

<i>Thandaung</i> , Miss Perkins....	\$ 400 00
Return	250 00
Scholarships	280 00
Miss Rigby	400 00
<i>Pakur</i> , Orphans.....	260 00

Total.. \$ 1590 00

North China.

Work	\$ 1,500 00
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Central China.

<i>Kiu Kiang</i> , Miss Ogborn.....	\$ 350 00
Dr. Mary Stone	350 00
Scholars and orphans.....	185 00
Medical work.....	400 00

Total \$ 1,285 00

West China.

<i>Chung King</i> , Work.....	\$ 150 00
Miss Manning	450 00
Miss Galloway	350 00
Repair of wall ..	50 00

Total for West China..\$ 1,000 00

South China.

<i>Foochow</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 400 00
Bible-women.....	60 00
Orphans	60 00
Miss Wilkinson	450 00
Mrs. Tippet's passage.....	250 00

Total for South China.\$ 1,220 00

Hok Chiang.

<i>Ngu Cheng</i> , Miss Trimble.....	\$ 600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Miss Allen, home salary	350 00
Woman's school	400 00
Bible-women	240 00
Romanized class	200 00
Day schools and travel.....	420 00
Boarding school.....	800 00
Repairs	100 00
Insurance	35 00

Total.....\$ 3,295 00

Total China.....\$ 8,300 00

Japan.

<i>Hakodati</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 120 00
Oyama San	115 00
Owada San.....	115 00
Takenaka San.....	105 00
<i>Hirosaki</i> , Miss Southard.....	500 00
Repairs	25 00
Mr. Kudo.....	200 00
Assistant 5th and 6th grade.	90 00
<i>Sendai</i> , Miss Phelps.....	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Interest and taxes	240 00
Scholarships	200 00
New building (con.)	300 00
Teachers and supplies.....	165 00
Sakuyama, Bible-woman....	72 00
Yonezawa, Bible-woman....	30 00
Travel, superintendent ..	50 00
<i>Tokyo</i> , Aoyama, Miss Daniels.	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	240 00
Mathematics	234 00
<i>Yokohama</i> , Miss Griffiths ..	375 00
Scholarships.....	160 00
<i>Tokiwa</i>	50 00

Total for Japan.....\$ 4,886 00

Mexico.

<i>Mexico City</i> , Miss M. L. McKib- bon	\$ 750 00
Scholarships	200 00
Lights	140 00
<i>Ayapango</i> , Miss Concha Estrada	174 00
Assistant teacher	70 00
Supplies	45 00
Rent	35 00
Mrs. Sotres Bible-woman	70 00
<i>Tezontepc</i> , Assistant	200 00
Supplies and rent	50 00
<i>Puebla</i> , Scholars	200 00
<i>Orizaba</i> , Miss Bumgardner	275 00

Total \$ 2,209 00

Africa.

<i>Quessua</i> , Miss Mekkelson	500 00
Scholarships	150 00

Total \$ 650 00

Italy.

<i>Rome</i> , Scholarships	200 00
New property	100 00

Total \$ 300 00

SUMMARY.

India	\$29,402 00
China	8,300 00
Japan	4,886 00
Mexico	2,209 00
Africa	650 00
Italy	300 00

Total \$45,747 00

Contingent 253 00

Grand Total \$46,000 00

MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Scholarships ..	\$ 208 00
Teachers	27 00
Matron	24 00
<i>Pauri</i> , Scholarships	112 00
<i>Bareilly</i> , Scholarships	120 00
Matron	100 00
Evangelistic	40 00
<i>Budaon</i> , Scholarships	150 00
<i>Gonda</i> , Scholarships	100 00
Teacher	40 00
Furniture	25 00

Total for North India.. \$ 946 00

Northwest India.

<i>Muttra</i> , Probation Deaconess..	\$ 200 00
Two teachers	60 00
Scholarships	90 00

<i>Ajmere</i> , Scholarships	\$ 180 00
<i>Allahabad</i> , Scholarships	45 00
<i>Cawnpore</i> , High School	36 00
<i>Patiala</i> , Bible-readers	80 00
<i>Deobund</i> , Bible-readers	40 00
<i>Lahore</i> , Bible-readers	140 00
<i>Multan</i> , Bible-readers	36 00
<i>Roorkee</i> , Bible-readers	188 00
Itinerating for missionary..	34 00
Conveyance	34 00
Day-schools	5 00
Repairs	2 00

Total for N. W. India.. \$1,170 00

South India.

<i>Kolar</i> , Scholarships	\$ 64 00
Bible-women	40 00

Total for South India.. \$ 104 00

Bengal-Burma.

<i>Thandaung</i> , Scholarships	\$ 120 00
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Total for Bengal-Burma \$ 120 00

North Japan.

<i>Hakodati</i> , Scholarships	\$ 120 00
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Total North Japan.... \$ 120 00

Central Japan.

<i>Tokyo</i> , Harrison Industrial School, Miss Blackstock's salary	\$ 650 00
Incidentals	150 00
Repairs and drains	100 00
Insurance	30 00
Watchman	35 00
Teachers Mathematics	45 00
" Literature	70 00
" Drawn-work	40 00
" Art	70 00
" Cooking	80 00
Two assistants, embroidery and sewing	75 00
Matron	50 00
Scholarships	400 00
Miss Baucus' work	20 00

Total for Central Japan \$1,765 00

China.

<i>Hing Hua</i> , Miss Martha Nicolaisen	\$ 450 00
Miss Willma H. Rouse	800 00
Scholarships	150 00
<i>Sieng In</i> , Scholarships	60 00
School building	500 00

Total for Hing Hua.... \$1,960 00

Foochow Conference.

<i>Foochow</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 160 00
Romanized class.....	150 00
Medical students.....	50 00
<i>Kucheng</i> , Four day schools.....	100 00
Scholarships.....	460 00
Repairs.....	30 00

Total for Foochow..... \$ 950 00

Central China.

<i>Ching Kiang</i> , Orphans.....	\$ 40 00
Scholarships.....	30 00

Total, Central China... \$ 70 00

Bombay.

<i>Bombay</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 240 00
Miss Edith Thoy.....	220 00
Day schools.....	100 00
Insurance.....	27 00

<i>Hurdu</i> , (Lukhuabon) Bible-woman.....	28 00
Teacher.....	28 00

<i>Poona</i> , Bible-woman (for Mrs. Vardon).....	52 00
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<i>Baroda</i> , Orphanage building fund.....	100 00
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Total for Bombay..... \$ 795 00

Malaysia.

<i>Singapore</i> , Miss Blackmore ..	\$ 425 00
Miss Mary Cody.....	249 00
Traveling expenses.....	100 00
Mrs. Buddery.....	144 00
Miss Meyer.....	144 00
Miss Shield.....	50 00
Miss Young.....	60 00
Scholarships.....	200 00
Conveyance.....	125 00
Contingencies.....	40 00
Punggol repairs.....	30 00
Interest.....	124 00
Repairs on Deaconess home.....	300 00
Bible-woman, Mrs. Denges..	72 00
Girls' new home covered way	120 00
<i>Penang</i> , Miss Clara Martin...	144 00
Vernacular teacher.....	57 00
Miss Ida Ellis.....	425 00
Vernacular teacher.....	57 00
Scholarships.....	300 00
For the work.....	550 00
For Deaconess home in Singapore ..	1,800 00

Total for Malaysia.....\$5,476 00

West China.

<i>Chung King</i> , Scholarship.....	\$ 30 00
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Total, West China..... \$ 30 00

Korea.

<i>Seoul</i> , Bible-woman, Laura. .	\$ 50 00
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Total for Korea.... .. \$ 50 00

Italy.

<i>Rome</i> , Minnesota room in Crandon Hall.....	\$ 100 00
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Total for Italy \$ 100 00

Summary.

North India.....	\$ 946 00
Northwest India	1,170 00
South India.....	104 00
Bombay	795 00
Bengal-Burma	120 00
Malaysia.....	5,476 00
North Japan.....	120 00
Central Japan.....	1,765 00
Foochow	950 00
Hing Hua.....	1,960 00
Ching Kiang.....	70 00
Chung King.....	30 00
Korea	50 00
Bulgaria	40 00
Italy	100 00
Contingent	304 00

Total.....\$14,000 00

TOPEKA BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 80 00
Bible-woman	30 00
<i>Pauri</i> , Scholarships.....	288 00
Bible-women	100 00
<i>Bareilly</i> , Student's wives...	30 00
<i>Budgaon</i> , Scholarships.....	120 00
<i>Lucknow</i> , Bible-woman.....	30 00
<i>Sitapur</i> , Bible-women.....	92 00

Total.....\$ 770 00

Northwest India.

Miss Murray.....	\$ 240 00
<i>Ajmere</i> , Scholarships.....	1,000 00
Assistant.....	80 00
Bible-women	60 00
Widows.....	50 00
<i>Phalera</i> , Bible-women.....	198 00
<i>Cawnpore</i> , Scholarships.....	90 00
<i>Meerut</i> , Miss Livermore, salary	650 00
Scholarships.....	600 00
Interest.....	120 00
Bible-women.....	300 00
Conveyance	67 00

Total.....\$ 3,455 00

South India.

<i>Raipur</i> , Miss Blackmar, salary	\$ 650 00
Moving expenses.....	80 00
House rent ..	160 00
Furniture	50 00
Conveyance.....	100 00
<i>Sironcha</i> , Miss Fuller, salary..	650 00
Moving expenses.....	100 00
Miss Partridge.....	220 00

Miss Murray	\$ 180 00
Munshi.....	40 00
Conveyance	50 00
Dormitory and repairs.....	200 00
Kolar, Scholarships.....	80 00
Assistant.....	40 00

Total.....\$ 2,600 00

Bengal-Burma.

Rangoon, New missionary, passage and salary.	\$ 700 00
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Central Japan.

Sapporo, Miss Imhof, salary and incidentals.....	\$ 750 00
House rent	125 00
Furniture	70 00
Otaru, Bible-woman.....	70 00
Sunday-school rent	10 00
Hakodate, Scholarships.....	240 00
Teacher, Kubo San	85 00
Pupil assistant	40 00
Sunday school rent	25 00
Hirosaki, Assistant teacher	50 00
Tokyo, Miss Watson, salary and return	750 00
Scholarships.....	120 00
History teacher.....	225 00
Penmanship.....	80 00
Yokohama, Bible-woman's training school.....	80 00

Total.....\$ 2,720 00

North China.

Tientsin, Dr. Stevenson's sal- ary, medical and general work.....	\$ 1,500 00
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Central China.

Chinkiang, Scholarships.....	\$ 75 00
Kiukiang, Scholarships.....	150 00
Bible-woman.....	25 00
Teacher	30 00
Nanking, Bible-woman and itinerating	55 00

Total.....\$ 335 00

Foochow.

Scholarships.....	\$ 75 00
Ku Cheng, Scholarships.....	375 00
Bible-women	50 00

Total.....\$ 500 00

Hing Hua.

Miss Varney, salary and incidentals.....	\$ 750 00
Scholarships.....	600 00

Total.....\$1,350 00

Italy.

Rome, Scholarship, Rosa Esther	\$ 100 00
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South America.

Rosario, Miss Swaney, salary and return.....	\$ 750 00
Scholarships.....	400 00
Miss Schurster.....	240 00
Repairs and taxes.....	200 00
Furniture.....	50 00
School supplies.....	30 00
Sewer improvements.....	120 00
Cook	180 00

Total

Twentieth Century Thank
Offering for buildings ..

Grand total.....\$19,300 00

SUMMARY.

North India.....	\$ 770 00
North West India.....	3,455 00
South India.....	2,600 00
Bengal-Burma.....	700 00
Japan.....	2,720 00
North China.....	1,500 00
Central China.....	335 00
Foochow.....	500 00
Hing Hua	1,350 00
Italy.....	100 00
South America.....	1,970 00
Twentieth Century thank offering for buildings....	4,000 00

Grand total.....\$20,000 00

PACIFIC BRANCH.

North India.

Bhabar, Bible-women.....	\$ 60 00
Girls' School.....	20 00
Itinerating.....	20 00
Dwarahat, Scholars.....	32 00
Pithoragarh, Scholars.....	192 00
Pauri, Scholars.....	128 00
Bijnour, Scholars.....	40 00
Bareilly, Scholars.....	100 00
Budaon, Scholars.....	120 00
Gonda, Scholars.....	150 00
Furniture.....	25 00
Hardoi, scholars	40 00
Sitapur, Scholars	80 00
Second assistant	170 00
Lucknow, Inspectress.....	60 00
Barabanki, Bible-women.....	50 00

Total.....\$ 1,287 00

Northwest India.

Muttra, Bible-women.....	\$ 60 00
Brindaban, Bible-woman.....	50 00
Meerut, Bible-women.....	100 00
Ajmere, Miss Mark's salary....	650 00

First assistant	\$ 200 00
Second assistant.....	150 00
Scholars.....	1,500 00
Training widows.....	200 00
Bible-readers.....	260 00
Conveyance.....	75 00
Itinerating.....	35 00
Miss Holman's salary	460 00
Miss Easton's passage and salary.....	900 00
Cawnpore, Scholars.....	285 00
Total.....	\$ 4,865 00

Bengal-Burma.

Rangoon, Girls' school	\$ 280 00
Burmese girls' school	200 00
Interest on building debt....	140 00
Thandaung, Orphanage.....	80 00
Pakur, Orphans.....	500 00
Total.....	\$1,200 00

Bombay

Kampti, Mrs. Butterfield.....	\$ 220 00
Bible-women	80 00
Rents	60 00
Conveyance.....	60 00
Schools.....	180 00
Total.....	\$ 600 00

South India.

Madras, Orphans.....	\$ 80 00
Kolar, Orphans	80 00
Total.....	160 00

Japan.

Hakodate, Scholars.....	\$ 40 00
Nagoya, Bible woman	72 00
Nagasaki, Scholars.....	80 00
Total.....	\$ 192 00

North China.....	\$ 70 00
Central China.....	350 00
Foochow.....	25 00
Hing Hua.....	90 00
Sieng-in, (conditional).....	90 00
Total.....	\$ 625 00

Korea.

Seoul, Scholars.....	\$ 80 00
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Norway.

Christiania, Bible-reader.....	\$ 50 00
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Summary.

North India	\$ 1,287 00
Northwest India.....	4,865 00
Bengal-Burma	1,200 00
Bombay	600 00

South India.....	\$ 160 00
Japan.....	192 00
China (90 conditional).....	625 00
Korea.....	80 00
Norway.....	50 00
Foreign Contingent.....	441 00

Grand total.....\$ 9,500 00

COLUMBIA RIVER BRANCH.

North India.

Dwarahath, Scholarships.....	\$ 32 00
Pithoragarh, Scholarships.....	48 00
Budaon, Scholarships.....	30 00
Bareilly, Scholarships	50 00
Lucknow, Mrs. Ward.....	160 00
Gonda, Scholarships.....	50 00
Native teacher (second).....	40 00

Total for North India.. \$ 410 00

Northwest India.

Aligarh	\$ 135 00
Muttra	45 00
Meerut.....	450 00
Mussoorie and Rajpur.....	160 00

Total for N. W. India .. \$ 790 00

Bombay Conference.

Bombay, Scholarships..	\$ 120 00
Native teacher.....	130 00
Baroda, Orphanage	50 00
Scholarships	40 00
Gujarat, village work.....	460 00
Ahmedabad, Bible-woman	40 00

Total for Bombay Conf. \$ 840 00

Malaysia.

Singapore, Miss Lilly	\$ 425 00
Conveyance and repairs.....	155 00
Miss Cody.....	216 00
Scholarships.....	120 00
Miss Hightling	72 00
Punggol repairs.....	30 00

Total for Malaysia.....\$ 1,018 00

China.

Foochow, Scholarships	\$ 40 00
Miss Parkinson.....	600 00
Seminary	100 00
Deht	25 00
Kucheng, Scholarships.....	20 00

Total for China\$ 785 00

North Japan.

<i>Hakodate</i> , Scholarships.....\$	80 00
<i>Sujiyama San</i>	72 00
<i>Odai</i> , Bible-woman	30 00

Total for North Japan.\$ 182 00

Central Japan,

<i>Tokyo</i> , Industrial scholarships.\$	120 00
Teacher in wood carving....	35 00
<i>Yokohama</i> , Literary work...	20 00

* Scholarships in Training
School, 80 00

Total for Cent. Japan.\$ 255 00

Summary.

North India.....\$	410 00
Northwest India.....	790 00
Bombay Conference.....	80 00
Malaysia.....	1,018 00
China.....	785 00
Northern Japan.....	182 00
Central Japan.....	255 00
Outgoing Missionary.....	400 00
Contingent.....	320 00

Grand total.....\$ 5,000 00
On Twentieth Century Offer-
ing (conditional)... \$ 1,525 00

Summary of Appropriations for 1900-1901.

BY COUNTRIES.

Africa.....	\$ 2,072.00
India.	
North India.....	\$ 48,569.00
Northwest India.....	42,758.00
Bombay Conference.....	31,586.00
South India.....	29,073.00
Bengal-Burma.....	14,566.00
Total for India.....	\$166,552.00
Malaysia.....	10,797.00
China.	
North China.....	\$ 18,100.00
Central China.....	14,457.00
West China.....	3,825.00
Foochow.....	25,054.00
Hing Hua.....	11,860.00
Total for China.....	\$ 73,296.00
Korea.....	14,460.00
Japan.	
North and Central Japan.....	\$ 35,746.00
Southern Japan.....	12,700.00
Total for Japan.....	\$ 48,446.00
Bulgaria.....	3,430.00
Italy.....	9,705.00
South America.....	9,724.00
Mexico.....	20,076.00
Switzerland.....	250.00
South Germany.....	100.00
North Germany.....	200.00
Manila, Philippine Islands.....	2,675.00
Norway.....	50.00
Contingent.....	12,136.00
Balance of Thankoffering to be raised.....	\$373,969.00
	71,425.00
	<u>\$445,394.00</u>

TREASURER'S REPORT.

AMOUNT COLLECTED FROM OCTOBER 1, 1899, TO OCTOBER 1, 1900.

New England Branch.....	\$ 33,213 46
New York ".....	65,003 06
Philadelphia ".....	43,895 09
Baltimore ".....	14,900 47
Cincinnati ".....	52,744 71
Northwestern ".....	108,428 13
Des Moines ".....	40,588 00
Minneapolis ".....	14,784 98
Topeka ".....	19,301 00
Pacific ".....	16,638 00
Columbia River ".....	5,034 43
Total.....	\$414,531 33
Amount raised, 1899.....	360,338 63
Advance.....	\$54,192 70

SUBSCRIPTION TO PERIODICALS, OCT. 1, 1900.

	Woman's Missionary Friend.	Children's Missionary Friend.	Frauen Missions Freund.	The Study.
New England Branch.....	2,382	3,964	51	2,640
New York Branch.....	3,159	3,914	318	3,960
Philadelphia Branch.....	2,197	2,505	57	3,128
Baltimore Branch.....	923	1,155	65	745
Cincinnati Branch.....	2,721	2,448	220	3,324
Northwestern Branch.....	5,791	5,485	634	6,498
Des Moines Branch.....	2,449	2,804	586	4,104
Minneapolis Branch.....	623	1,169	588	948
Topeka Branch.....	1,136	1,216	597	1,848
Pacific Branch.....	518	754	119	588
Columbia River Branch.....	287	376	54	543
Scattering.....	359	128	20	
Foreign.....	175	67	537	
Total.....	22,720	25,985	3,846	28,326
Oct. 1, 1899.....	21,812	23,332	3,718	26,628
Increase.....	908	2,653	128	1,698

Receipts of Society Since Organization.

From March,	1869, to April,	1870.....	\$ 4,546 86
" April 1,	1870, to "	1871.....	22,397 99
" "	1871, to "	1872.....	44,477 46
" "	1872, to "	1873.....	54,834 87
" "	1873, to "	1874.....	64,309 25
" "	1874, to "	1875.....	61,492 19
" "	1875, to Feb. 10,	1876.....	55,276 06
" Feb. 10,	1876, to "	1877.	72,464 30
" "	1877, to "	1878.....	68,063 52
" "	1878, to "	1879.....	66,843 69
" "	1879, to "	1880....	76,276 43
" "	1880, to "	1881.....	107,932 45
" "	1881, to Oct. 1,	1882.....	195,678 50
" Oct. 1,	1882, to "	1883.. . . .	126,823 33
" "	1883, to "	1884.....	143,199 14
" "	1884, to "	1885.....	157,442 66
" "	1885, to "	1886.....	167,098 85
" "	1886, to "	1887.....	191,158 13
" "	1887, to "	1888.....	206,308 69
" "	1888, to "	1889.....	226,496 15
" "	1889, to "	1890.....	220,329 96
" "	1890, to "	1891.....	263,660 69
" "	1891, to "	1892.....	265,342 15
" "	1892, to "	1893.....	277,303 79
" "	1893, to "	1894.....	311,925 96
" "	1894, to "	1895.....	289,227 00
" "	1895, to "	1896.....	285,823 94
" "	1896, to "	1897.....	313,937 86
" "	1897, to "	1898.....	328,488 75
" "	1898, to "	1899.....	360,338 63
" "	1899, to "	1900.....	414,531 33
Total since organization.....			\$5,454,730 58

Report of Publisher.

Pauline J. Walden, Publisher in Account with Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Oct. 1, 1899, to Oct. 1, 1900.

To cash on hand	\$	1,619	57
" " Received for Subscriptions to W. M. F.	\$	11,072	55
" " " " " " C. M. F.		2,674	57
" " " " " " F. M. F.		931	37
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" " " " " " "The Study \$		743	33
" " " " " Literature.....		2,155	72
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" " " " " Deficit on Quarterlies		35	00
" " " " " Advertising.....		49	88
" " " " " Interest on Loans and Dep.		161	51
" " " " " Payment on Mortgage.....		54	55
" " " " " Certificates... ..		51	00
" " " " " Sundries		12	76
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			364 70
Total.....			<hr/>
			19,561 81
By cash paid for Woman's Missionary Friend	\$	8,304	32
" " " " Editor's Salary and Incidentals..		735	74
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" " " " Children's Missionary Friend		2,483	83
" " " " Editor's Salary and Incidentals..		266	16
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" " " " Frauen Missions Freund.....		772	61
" " " " Editor's Salary and Incidentals ..		253	93
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" " " " Literature Expenses.....			1,026 54
" " " " Publisher's Salary.....		700	00
" " " " Office Expenses		568	50
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" " " " Insurance		26	70
" " " " Commission on Advertising		37	50
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" " " " Travelling Expenses to General Executive Committee, Editors and Publishers			64 20
" " On hand.....			124 55
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			1,456 67
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			\$19,561 81

PAULINE J. WALDEN, *Publisher.*

Examined and approved,
A. S. WEED, *Auditor.*

Report of Literature Committee.

At the Ecumenical Conference great emphasis was made by nearly all societies represented on the necessity for fresh inspiring missionary literature to awaken and develop interest, and a new impetus was given to this most important branch of work.

The Literature Committee during the past year has been enabled to continue its work and has sent out as much, if not a little more literature than the preceding year.

The Committee had several meetings during the session of the General Executive Committee at Cleveland at which all the members were present. It met again in January in New York, and an informal meeting was held in May.

The preparation of the Calendar for 1901 was the principal matter considered at the January meeting. The general plan was agreed upon, while the details of form and printing were left to the judgment of the Publisher. The work of preparation was divided among the Branches, and assignments made by the Committee to three persons, and the remainder left to the Corresponding Secretaries to nominate the parties for the work. In form it is similar to the one of 1900, but has a larger number of illustrations, thirty-eight in all, and in some respects is an improvement on the previous one. There is much missionary information and help provided for 25 cents.

ANNUAL REPORT. Each year the Annual Report increases a little in size, which is expected with our rapidly developing work. An edition of 3,500 was issued and divided among the Branches as follows:

New England, 350; Miss Walden, 200; New York, 400; Philadelphia, 300; Baltimore, 100; Cincinnati, 250; Northwestern, 400; Des Moines, 225; Minneapolis, 50; Topeka, 50; Pacific, 100 and Columbia River, 50. Making a total of 2,475 copies sent to Branches. There were sent to missionaries at home and abroad; and to papers and magazines, 360; and to Chicago for distribution at the General Conference, 300 copies. Instructions were followed in placing the three lists of missionaries together, and giving the date of each missionary's appointment to the field.

Twenty thousand copies of the Secretary's abridged Annual Report were printed, paid for by the Branches, and distributed free to the Auxiliaries.

According to instructions the Committee prepared and issued a 20th Century Thank Offering service, which was very generally used. An edition of twenty thousand was printed, and some of these will be available for the next year.

THE STUDY. We are gratified that the *Study* shows an increase each year, and the subscription list now reaches 28,326, an increase of 1,698 over the preceding year. We are constantly in receipt of letters with appreciative words concerning its helpfulness.

The General Executive Committee recommended last year that we devote more time to a country, so we commenced in August with Japan, arranging to run it through twelve months, six in the present year and six the coming year. When the disturbances in China developed, and every one was looking with such intense interest to that country, we felt it a necessity to change our plan, and have given the first six months of the year to a consideration of China.

The recommendation that a special missionary reading course, suitable for Junior Leagues, Missionary Bands and all children being trained in missionary work, be prepared by the Committee, was fully considered. Children's books have been examined, and at the exhibit at the Ecumenical Conference the Committee looked over the books, and the fact is there is a dearth of attractive missionary books for children, and a field for some one with literary tastes in that direction.

READING COURSE. It was recommended that the reading course be so selected that it harmonize with the *Study* for the year, and that the cost of the same be reduced, and more time be given to the consideration of each country, and that the subject be thoroughly and systematically developed each month. This we have endeavored to do. The action taken by the Executive Committee two years ago in changing the course prepared by the Literature Committee has caused endless confusion, as the course had been previously printed, and some had read it in advance. It seems to be a difficult matter to secure cheaper books, as books bearing on particular subjects are not always published in cheap editions. We have adopted the following for the 3d year's course: "Japan and Its Regeneration," by Otis Carey, a valuable book containing much information, only 35 cts.; "The Life of Joseph Neesima," by A. S. Hardy, \$1.00; "Japan, Its History, Folk-Lore and Art," by W. E. Griffis, 75 cts.; "Japanese Girls and Women," by Alice Mabel Bacon, 75 cts.; "Concise History of Missions," by Dr. E. M. Bliss, 75 cts.; "Chundra Lela," 25 cts.; making the cost for the year \$3.85.

The action of the Executive Committee last year in advising each Branch to elect a Secretary of Literature, the name of such Secretary to

be sent to the chairman of the Literature Committee was simply a reiteration of the action of the preceding year. This recommendation does not seem to be fully understood, or there is an indifference to the work to be done, as only three Branches have reported.

This statement of literature issued does not give a correct idea of what is done by the Society. Nearly every Branch is writing and publishing something of a local character, and their sales annually amount to something considerable. We hope in the future to get a report from each depot of supplies, so that we may give a full report of the Society's work in this direction.

LEAFLETS. The committee had presented to them a number of manuscripts for leaflets. Some were accepted and some rejected. Short exercises and programme for children's meetings was thought to be desirable and such has been prepared by Mrs. Scott. She has also prepared a missionary exercise called "The Banners of the Nations," 8 pages. The committee also voted to ask Miss Griffiths to write up the story of the Japanese shrine, which is now available, and to request Miss Hodgkins to prepare a paper on her impressions on Japan for a leaflet to be used in connection with our Japan lessons.

An addition to the flag series has been issued, "Malaysia and the Philippines."

NEW LEAFLETS PRINTED DURING YEAR.

Leaflet Report, 12 pages ; number printed, 20,000 ; pages, 240,000 ; Publisher's Puzzle, 4 pages ; number printed, 3,000 ; pages, 12,000 ; Thank Offering Program, 4 pages ; number printed, 25,000 ; pages, 100,000 ; Century Hymn, 2 pages ; number printed, 3,000 ; pages, 6,000 ; Baroda Orphanage, 4 pages ; number printed, 28,000 ; pages, 112,000 ; Loochoo Islands, 6 pages ; number printed, 3,000 ; pages, 18,000 ; Angola, 6 pages ; number printed, 3,000 ; pages, 18,000 ; General Conference Reports, 24 pages ; number printed, 2,000 ; pages, 48,000 ; A Disturbing Dream ; 6 pages ; number printed, 3,000 ; pages, 18,000 ; Deborah's Conclusions, 12 pages ; number printed, 3,000 ; pages, 36,000 ; Little Rills, 2 pages ; number printed, 3,000 ; pages, 6,000 ; Missionary Songs Hymns, 16 pages ; and number printed, 10,000 ; pages, 160,000 ; Banners of Nations, 8 pages ; number printed, 3,000 ; pages, 24,000 ; Malaysia and Philippines, 40 pages ; number printed, 3,000 ; pages, 120,000 ; Annual Report, 258 pages ; number printed, 3,500 ; pages, 903,000 ; Children's Missionary Friend Advertising Slips, 2 pages ; number printed, 5,000 ; pages, 10,000 ; The Study, 4 pages ; number printed, 366,500 ; pages, 1,466,000 ; Reprints of Leaflets, 376,000 ; total number of pages printed, 3,673,000.

Thought, time, prayer, and work have been given to the consideration of the literature, the right arm of power in our Missionary Work, but we have not accomplished what we desired. We may furnish the material, but we cannot always make the people read. Educational work is slow, and we are gratified that in the past year there has been an advance in all our periodicals and in the demand for literature. We are thankful for the past, and hopeful for the future.

[Signed]

LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF GERMAN LITERATURE.

The money granted us for the printing of German literature from year to year has been a great help to us, for which we are very thankful. We hope to be able in the not too far away future to carry the work on without the aid of the Committee, since we gain a little every year in that respect.

Our annual report was a good sized pamphlet with many illustrations and a bright red cover. We sold a goodly number, but not quite enough to pay for the expenses, which were 47 per cent. "Korea" has been quite a success and is sold largely wherever Miss Rothweiler goes. We had 2,000 copies of Miss Cushman's timely leaflet, "Add One and Bless Three" translated and printed and distributed free, casting our bread upon the water and expecting it to be a help in the increase of our membership.

"Only a Woman's Hand" and "Mrs. Pickett's Mite Box" had to be reprinted, as these two are always in demand. The statistics in the former leaflet were changed to the present time.

"The Story of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society" is not yet ready for the printer. Illness, moving and many other things prevented us from finishing it, but it is well under way and will surely be published before long.

We will need several new leaflets this year and would respectfully ask you to grant us a certain sum for the printing of these. We will use it to the best advantage of the work.

TABULATED ACCOUNT.

Our Work in Korea, Illustrated.	3,200 copies,	128,000	pages
Annual Report, Illustrated	4,000 "	64,000	"
Add One, Bless Three	2,000 "	6,000	"
Mrs. Pickett's Mite Box, reprint.....	3,000 "	24,000	"
Only a Woman's Hand "	2,000 "	12,000	"
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Total.	14,000 "	234,000	"

REPORT OF TREASURER OF LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

By	Cash paid for	Printing and Mailing	<i>The Study</i>	\$	606	06	
"	"	"	Editor's Salary		100	00	
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"	"	"	Literature	\$	585	17	
"	"	"	Annual Reports		589	10	
"	"	"	Leaflet "		63	50	
"	"	"	Calendars		541	80	
"	"	"	German Leaflets		75	00	
"	"	"	Leaflets from Other Boards		53	08	
"	"	"	Gen. Conf. Reports		98	22	
"	"	"	Appropriations for Children's				
			Leaflets		100	00	
"	"	"	Help and Books		91	20	
"	"	"	Reading Course Certificates		5	00	
"	"	"	Office Help		280	66	
"	"	"	Express and Postage		216	34	
"	"	"	Editor's Salary and Incidentals		348	81	
"	"	"	Expense of Committee		77	36	
					<hr/>		3,125 24
							\$ 3,831 30
To	Cash Received for	<i>The Study</i>	\$	743	33		
"	"	Literature		1,097	14		
"	"	Annual Reports		426	56		
"	"	Leaflet Reports		84	35		
"	"	Calendars		547	67		
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Cash Deficit							\$ 932 25
Literature on hand ...					\$	1,150	00
Bills due						181	81
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Cash Deficit							932 25
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Net Balance					\$	399	56

PAULINE J. WALDEN, *Treasurer.*

Report of Zenana Paper.

Five editions of the Zenana Paper are published in India. The "Hindi" and "Urdu" are prepared in Lucknow. The "Bengali" in Calcutta. The "Tamil" in Madras, and the "Marathi" in Bombay. The first two are fortnightly issues, the others monthly. The cost of four of these is provided for by the interest of an endowment raised for the purpose, and the fifth is the annual gift of an anonymous friend. A very small amount is received from local subscriptions. If a larger amount could be put yearly into these papers, so that they could be larger and fuller, their usefulness would be increased. As it is, owing to the shrinkage of interest, the size has been reduced that they may be produced at a lower cost than originally.

The object of the publications is to give the women of India a pure, simple, elevating literature, based upon Bible truths and Christian principles. Those familiar with the empty, idle lives of woman in India's Zenanas, devoid of every outside interest, and where not confined to narrow family gossip, occupies itself with superstitious rituals and debasing idolatrous tales. Know that as these women are taught to read they must be supplied with food for thought, higher than that afforded in purdah life.

Our Society was among the first to make an effort toward supplying this necessity. The editors coming from our own missionaries, it has met with favor, being highly appreciated by mission workers among this class of women, and has been useful among them with its hints upon the management of households and children and its instruction through Bible stories and serials contributing to the moral and intellectual improvement of women.

These papers are highly appreciated by the women in the Zenanas, both heathen and Christian. They are frequently bound together and preserved as household ornaments. They are given as wedding presents, and often sent into the country.

Miss Stephens has a collection of sacred books given up by a priest who was convinced of their falsehood and uselessness through the reading of the Zenana Paper.

Copies come to us occasionally with their square or curiously curved letters, which we often wish we could comprehend, but only the illustrations give us a hint of the contents.

There has been sent for the publication of these periodicals, from America, during the past year, from interest on investments from :

New England Branch.....	\$ 100.00
Des Moines Branch	30.00
Topeka Branch	71.50
Baltimore Branch	172.75
Philadelphia Branch for Marathi Edition.....	250.00
New York, Philadelphia, North Western, Cincinnati, and Minne- apolis Branch	487.38
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	\$1,111.63
Forwarded to India, April 27th, 1900, by Miss Thoburn.....	850.00
October, 1900.....	261.63
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	\$1,111 63

(Signed) H. B. SKIDMORE, *Treasurer.*

Amount required for publication of these periodicals in the ensuing year is \$1,190, which will show a deficit of \$79.00 unless this amount be otherwise met.

S. L. KEEN.

Report of the Woman's Missionary Friend, 1899—1900.

When, seven years ago, your editor accepted the conduct of the *Friend*, she quietly went over in her own mind the requisite equipment for a missionary editor. That equipment involved five characteristics:—

1. A thorough love for and consecration to the idea of extending the kingdom of Christ in the world, a preparation to be obtained from no human source.
2. Intelligent information with regard to the work of all mission work in general and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in particular, to be secured from generous study and reading.
3. Personal and practical touch with the organization, which two years as president of one of the Branches and five years of an auxiliary had assisted to furnish.
4. A study of the Society as affected by different conditions, physical environments and historical associations incident to different portions of the country. This has been sought by visiting the Annual Branch Meetings and the Executive Committee Meetings in all but one of our eleven Branches.

After having devoted seven studious years, with the fifth characteristic always in view, namely, the study of missions on their own ground, it was a great opportunity, seized as the result of a long-taken purpose, when in January of this year, at the invitation of Dr. and Mrs. Clark, of the Christian Endeavor movement, she was enabled to achieve the latest aim. Seven years had been none too long nor too careful a preparation for making a seven months' journey round the world. Because it had been so long contemplated, it was possible in a week to make ready, bring out the February *Friend* in intervals of packing trunks for the Orient and provide for the numbers of the *Friend* that should appear during absence.

With the cordial concurrence of our president and the secretaries nearest at hand, Miss Frances Bent Dillingham, who had given three years' assistance, from 1893-1896, to the editing of the *Friend*, was secured as sub-editor, with the understanding that the editor-in-chief should provide all the editorials as far as possible and one or more contributions to each number. How well Miss Dillingham achieved her task the issues of the *Friend* from March to September testify. I congratulate the Execu-

tive Committee on having within their ranks so gifted and devoted an understudy in the editorial management.

To the editor's reception by our missionaries no words can do justice. In their homes, their classrooms, their hospitals, their religious services, their social life, she was received with unfailing hospitality and given most intimate opportunity to gain the object of her journey—viz.: a close view of W. F. M. S. work on its own ground.

One fine result of the editor's visit to over fifty missionaries was that more than once it was said to her, "How much more important we shall hereafter consider the need of reporting our work to the *Friend*."

The editor takes the opportunity to express publicly to the publisher her acknowledgment for many kindnesses in her absence. While neither ever attempts to do the other's work, a gentle oversight on the part of our generous-minded publisher saved the editor abroad from the solicitude she would otherwise have experienced. These courtesies were the more appreciated for the fact that the publisher already performs, as we all know, the work of two women.

Contributions to the *Friend* for the past year have shown a distinct preponderance in favor of reports from the foreign field, there being ninety contributions from abroad against thirty-eight from home.

Contributions to the *Friend* from October 1, 1899 to October 1, 1900.

Home, 38; China, 27; India, 26; Japan, 14; Italy, 6; Tibet, 1; Africa, 3; Mexico, 1; Korea, 1; S. America, 1.

Last year, 1898-1899, was devoted to the study of China, and no issue was without an article on that country. I doubt if any women in the country were better posted on the Celestial Empire than the W. F. M. S. during this phenomenal year in the Orient.

Two new features, both of a temporary character, have been added to the *Woman's Missionary Friend* during the past year—one, the "Round the Planet Letters," ending in the September number, the other the monthly report of the *Thank-Offering*, which according to the vote of last November has been given a column of its own, showing the advance from month to month of the different Branches, and which will be continued another year.

The Quarterlies are steadily growing in favor, and prove that they came to stay.

Thanks are due to the editors for their co-operation. Of the forty-four Quarterlies that should have appeared in one year, only one has failed to put in an appearance, and that the only one since three years ago we carried out the happy thought. Their individuality is note-worthy. It would be worth while to cut out eleven Quarterlies from three successive months and make a comparative study of them, so plainly would they

show what each Branch emphasizes. There is a tendency to overpack and not condense sufficiently. Will every Quarterly editor look over the four that she has prepared this year and note for herself if she has always given greatest prominence to the things that she would emphasize as most important.

While we rejoice in the constantly-advancing subscriptions on all lines, we do not propose to be content until the *Woman's Missionary Friend* reaches the coveted 30,000, the *Children's Missionary Friend*, 50,000, the *German Friend*, 5,000, and the *Study*, 40,000. Every Branch has increased its subscriptions save New England and New York, New York having fallen away only by the trifling record of eleven subscribers, which it made up at Annual Meeting, New England one hundred and twenty-two. The Branches that have made the best record this year are the Northwestern, Cincinnati, Des Moines and Baltimore, which have advanced 483, 262, 130 and 112, respectively. When we reach 30,000 the editor waits to make a new departure, which will add greatly to the beauty and usefulness of the *Friend*.

Those who read the *Friend* from start to finish include the Business Report of the last page. To make it of practical use, as a comparative study, it would be necessary that all Branches report—and report regularly. This can now be said of only three.

It is because the best who have lived before us have done their best that we have reached the standard of to-day. For that very reason it is necessary to go on doing our best. On the grave of J. H. Green, the historian, at Mentone, Italy, is the inscription, "He died learning." That is what we expect to do in the editing of the *Friend*, and it will take a deal more learning to bring it to the standard in the mind of the editor, or the numbers in the minds of the constituency.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE MANNING HODGKINS.

TABLE OF

Subscriptions to the Woman's Missionary Friend

From 1869-1900.

1870	3,000.
1871	21,000.
1872	22,000.
1873	24,000.
1874	25,000.
1875	16,000.
1876	17,313.
1877	16,000.
1878	14,074.
1879	13,388.
1880	15,606.
1881	18,007.
1882	20,020.
1883	19,571.
1884	20,045.
1885	19,816.
1886	19,456.
1887	19,987.
1888	19,907.
1889	19,834.
1890	19,236.
1891	20,401.
1892	21,512.
1893	21,529.
1894	21,617.
1895	20,411.
1896	19,146.
1897	19,026.
1898	20,858.
1899	21,812.
1900	22,720.

Children's Missionary Friend.

It is a pleasure in these golden autumn days to be once more a sharer in the general rejoicing which follows a year of successful effort. All through the twelve months we have no glimpse of the publisher's books, but work on hopefully and yet with a little wholesome dread of final results. Such was the feeling at the close of this missionary year, until all doubts were dispelled by the welcome report: "*Children's Missionary Friend*, 25,985,"—a gain of 2,653.

We are gladdened and encouraged by this advance, not only because it means prosperity, but because it also indicates a more hearty co-operation on the part of our workers, and a wider field of usefulness among children. But we are not yet satisfied. There should be a steady growth in our subscription list until every Methodist Sunday School welcomes the little *Friend* as an indispensable aid in the education of its boys and girls in things pertaining to foreign missions. Scatter the good seed generously, dear friends, and the harvest will be bountiful!

As in past years, the editor has occasion to thank our missionaries for their delightful contributions. None of our exchanges can boast as bright and readable stories and sketches from the foreign field. We only desire *more of them* from all over the world. Missionaries at home on furlough have also responded heartily to our appeals for help, and those who have the gift of a "childlike heart and a ready pen," have been equally kind.

We are "reaching forward," but have not yet realized our ideal in this line of literature. What we long for is a children's missionary magazine, "with covers," filled with stories, sketches, poems, dialogues, music, appeals and reports, illustrated as richly as our purely secular magazines for the young, and commanding a generous patronage with a living subscription price. The best material we can gather from the wide world is none too rich for the nourishment of hearts and minds destined just a little later to lead our hosts to glorious victory. We would also emphasize the possibility of a higher standard of giving among the children. "The missionary penny" remains, while dimes and nickels are freely spent for sweets. Too many magnify its possibilities like the little girl, who, meeting a ragged, half-starved boy on the street, said: "Here, little boy, I am sorry for you. Take this penny and buy yourself a good warm dinner and a suit of clothes!" We believe the children themselves are ready for an advance and should be encouraged in it, *never forgetting*

that the pennies are most welcome where more cannot be given. This thought has grown during the past two years while watching the wonderful interest and generous gifts of children all over the land as they have united in their very own Thank Offering. In January, 1899, the first donation for the Baroda Orphanage was recorded. Since then \$5,177.12 have been reported through the little *Friend*. The giving has been enthusiastic. Many self-denials and many heroic efforts enter into the story of this sacred money. What a precious Orphanage that will be, built by the happy children of our church for the starvelings of India! The first sum asked was \$6,000, but the famine of last year has made a larger edifice necessary, so that we still have about \$3,000.00 to raise,—an easy task for the grateful readers of the *Children's Missionary Friend*.

All moneys contributed for this fund, go through the regular channels to each Branch Treasurer; who, it is hoped, will forward quarterly reports to the paper, while items of interest are also sent by the parties interested. Grateful for the favors and blessings of 1900 and thankful for the privilege of helping to establish Christ's Kingdom, we face hopefully toward the first year of the new Century.

MRS. O. W. SCOTT, *Editor*.

REPORT OF THE FRAUEN MISSIONS FREUND FOR THE YEAR 1900.

As we write our report year by year, we confess to some feeling of disappointment at the slow rate at which our subscription list increases. It has long been our aim to have five thousand subscribers, and the slight increase of 128 new subscribers seems to us but a very small step toward the fulfillment of our hope. On the other hand it must be admitted that our list of 3,840 subscribers shows a very fair proportion to the entire list of members (6,494). We regret that we cannot devote more time to the preparation of the *Freund*. Our duties as German Secretary are so complex and diversified, that we cannot do the paper full justice. We are convinced that the time is rapidly approaching when the three offices of German Secretary, Editor and Superintendent for the German literature can no longer be filled by any one person.

Some auxiliaries have succeeded by their devoted work, to secure new subscribers for the *Freund*, exceeding in number their list of members, others have been rather slow, but we shall not rest satisfied until every member of our society is a subscriber for the *Freund*, and busy in extending its circulation.

PH. ACHARD, *Editor*.

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TOPICS FOR STUDY, 1901.

- January.* Review : general conditions of world-wide missions.
- February.* History, cause, and object of the anti-foreign movement in China.
- March.* The relation of Christian missions to the anti-foreign movement in China.
- April.* The right attitude of the church in view of present conditions in China.
- May.* Incidents and experiences in connection with the anti-foreign movement in China ; the fidelity of native Christians.
- June.* World-wide Christian movements among young people.
- July.* The W. F. M. S. in China before the uprising. The present conditions and outlook.
- August.* Religions of Japan.
- September.* Early missions in Japan.
- October.* Present day missions and outlook in Japan.
- November.* The W. F. M. S. in Japan.
- December.* The angel's message "Peace on Earth." Its prophetic and practical development.

Form of Annuity.

WHEREAS, of has donated to and paid into the treasury of the.....Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church the sum of Dollars.

Now, Therefore, the said.....Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in consideration thereof, hereby agrees to pay to said during natural life interest on the aforesaid sum at the rate of per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, said payments to cease on the death of said and the said sum donated by as aforesaid is to be considered as an executed gift to said Society and to belong to said Society from this date, without any account or liability therefor.

.....Branch of the Woman's
Foreign Missionary Society of the
Methodist Episcopal Church by,

Resolution on Special Work.

The following paper was presented at the General Executive Committee in Worcester from the missionaries in attendance, and adopted by that body and ordered printed in the Annual Report.

Whereas, We, your representatives on the foreign field recognize that close personal touch is necessary in order to awaken and continue interest in mission work and

Whereas, The present method of carrying on one form of special work, namely, the attachment of individual givers at home to an individual protege on the foreign field is often productive of many harmful influences and results both upon the givers at home and the proteges in the foreign field, aside from the great labor involved in the necessary correspondence and

Whereas, This system is detrimental to the fundamental principles of our Christian service in that such gifts frequently prove to have been of a merely temporary and philanthropic character instead of being offerings made to the Lord Christ, and to the general advancement of His Kingdom,

Therefore Resolved:

(1.) That the missionary be made the living link between the givers at home and the foreign field, whose support shall be assigned to the various conferences and districts, and whose duty it shall be to write regularly to her constituency letters which may be multiplied and sent to each auxiliary.

(2.) That Bible readers, teachers and scholarships so far as possible be paid from the regular funds as apportioned to the different Branches and Conferences.

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APPOINT	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1869.....	Isabella Thoburn.....	Lucknow, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Delaware, O.
1872.....	Gertrude Howe.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....	Northwestern.....	Lausling, Mich.
1872.....	Lucy A. Hoag, M. D.....	Chin Kiang, China.....	New York.....	Ann Arbor, Mich.
1872.....	Louise E. Blackmar.....	Raipur, India.....	Topeka.....	W. Springfield, Pa.
1878.....	S. A. Easton.....	Naini Tal, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Washington, D. C.
1878.....	Matilda A. Spencer.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Philadelphia.....	Germantown, Pa.
1879.....	Elizabeth Russell.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	Cincinnati.....	Delaware, O.
1879.....	Jennie M. Gheer.....	Kagoshima, Japan.....	New York.....	Bellewood, Pa.
1880.....	Anna Budden.....	Pithoragarh, India.....	New York.....	Almorah, India.
1881.....	Minnie S. Hampton.....	Hakodate, Japan.....	New York.....	New York, N. Y.
1881.....	Mrs. Carrie Van Petten.....	Home on leave.....	Northwestern.....	Newponset, Ill.
1881.....	Emma L. Knowles.....	Darjeeling, India.....	New England.....	Newark, N. J.
1883.....	Mrs. Charlotte M. Jewell.....	Home on leave.....	New York.....	California.
1883.....	Rebecca J. Watson.....	Home on leave.....	Topeka.....	Nebraska.
1884.....	Lida B. Smith.....	Kagoshima, Japan.....	New York.....	Syracuse, N. Y.
1884.....	Fannie M. English.....	Bareilly, India.....	New York.....	Seneca Falls, N. Y.
1884.....	Mary Reed.....	Pithoragarh, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Becketts, O.
1884.....	Mary C. Robinson.....	Shanghai, China.....	Northwestern.....	Michigan.
1884.....	Carrie I. Jewell.....	Foochow, China.....	Cincinnati.....	Harmar, O.
1884.....	Eleanor LeHuray.....	Home on leave.....	Philadelphia.....	Sunmit, N. J.
1884.....	Mary Delf, Loyd.....	Mexico City, Mexico.....	Philadelphia.....	Hillsboro, O.
1884.....	Elizabeth Hewett.....	Montevideo, S. A.....	Northwestern.....	Gilead, Mich.
1885.....	Mrs. M. F. Scranton.....	Seoul, Korea.....	N. E. & N. Y.....	Cleveland, O.
1885.....	Anna D. Gloss, M. D.....	Home on leave.....	Northwestern.....	Chicago, Ill.
1885.....	Theresa J. Kyle.....	Pauri, India.....	Philadelphia.....	Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
1885-1900.....	Julia E. Wisner.....	Manila, Philippine Islands.....	Cincinnati.....	Berea, O.

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APPOINT.	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1886.	Ella Hewett.	Hirosaki, Japan.	Northwestern...	Gilead, Mich.
1886.	Anna Lawson.	Home on leave.	Des Moines.	Ottumwa, Ill.
1886.	Delia A. Fuller.	Sironcha, India.	Topeka.	Boulder, Col.
1886.	Harriet L. Ayres.	Mexico City, Mexico.	Cincinnati.	Hillsboro, O.
1887.	Edna G. Terry, M. D.	Home on leave.	New England.	Boston, Mass.
1887.	Ella C. Shaw.	Home on leave.	Northwestern.	Moore's Hill, Ind.
1887.	Mabel C. Hartford.	Foochow, China.	New England.	Dover, N. H.
1887.	Sophia Blackmore.	Singapore Sts. Settlements.	Minneapolis.	Australia.
1887.	May E. Carleton, M. D.	Home on leave.	New York.	Port Chester, N. Y.
1887.	Louise C. Rothweiler.	Home on leave.	Cincinnati.	Newport, Ky.
1887.	Annie Gallimore.	Aligarh, India.	Baltimore.	Bellefontaine, O.
1888.	Belle J. Allen.	Home on leave.	Cincinnati.	Delaware, O.
1888.	Annie L. Bing.	Sappora, Japan.	Cincinnati.	Tunnelton, W. Va.
1888.	Julia A. Bonafield.	Foochow, China.	Cincinnati.	Painesville, O.
1888.	Kate A. Blair.	Calcutta, India.	Cincinnati.	Philadelphia, Pa.
1888.	Augusta Dickerson.	Hakodate, Japan.	Philadelphia.	Delphos, O.
1888.	I. Ernsberger, M. D.	Gulbarga, Deccan, India.	Cincinnati.	New York City.
1888-1900.	Mary Ketting, M. D.	Chung King, China.	Northwestern.	London, O.
1888.	Elizabeth Maxey.	Calcutta, India.	New York.	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1888.	Emma Mitchell.	Wuhu, China.	New York.	Princeton, Ill.
1888.	Sarah Peters.	Home on leave.	Northwestern.	Dayton, O.
1888.	Lucy W. Sullivan.	Naini Tal, India.	Cincinnati.	Excelsior, Minn.
1888.	Martha A. Sheldon, M. D.	Pithoragarh, India.	New England.	Adrian, Mich.
1889.	Anna E. Steere.	Home on leave.	Northwestern.	Lincoln, Neb.
1889.	Louise Inhof.	Sappora, Japan.	Topeka.	

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APPOINT.	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1889.	Elsie Wood.	Home on leave.	New York.	South America.
1889.	Mary B. Griffiths.	Tokyo, Japan.	Des Moines.	Marathon, Ia.
1889.	Frances E. Phelps.	Sendai, Japan.	Des Moines.	Sioux City.
1889.	Frances O. Wilson.	Tientsin, China.	Des Moines.	Corning, Ia.
1889.	Elizabeth A. Bender.	Nagoya, Japan.	Baltimore.	Maryland.
1889.	Frances Scott.	Gondah, India.	Cincinnati.	Cincinnati, O.
1889.	Rue E. Sellers.	Home on leave.	Cincinnati.	New Matamoras, O.
1889.	Lydia A. Trimble.	Nan Chang, China.	Des Moines.	Galva, Ia.
1889.	Ellen Blackstock.	Tokyo, Japan.	Minneapolis.	Shadeland, Ind.
1889.	Georgiana Baucus.	Tokyo, Japan.	New York.	Ithaca, N. Y.
1890.	Rachel R. Benn, M. D.	Tientsin, China.	Philadelphia.	Edinboro, Pa.
1890.	Ida Stevenson, M. D.	Tientsin, China.	Topeka.	Chicago.
1890.	Ellen M. Lyon, M. D.	Home on leave.	Northwestern.	Spencer Creek, Mich.
1890.	Leonora H. Seeds.	Fukuoka, Japan.	Cincinnati.	Delaware, O.
1890.	Frances A. Perkins.	Rangoon, Burma.	Des Moines.	Indianola, Ia.
1891.	M. E. Vickery.	Rome, Italy.	Northwestern.	Evansville, Ind.
1878-1891.	Mary F. Swaney.	Home on leave.	Topeka.	Manhattan, Kas.
1891.	Anna R. Limberger.	Puebla, Mexico.	Philadelphia.	Danville, Pa.
1891.	Kate L. Ogburn.	Home on leave.	Des Moines.	Union Mills, Ia.
1891.	Laura M. White.	Chin Kiang, China.	Philadelphia.	Philadelphia.
1891.	Ella A. Lewis.	Seoul, Korea.	Philadelphia.	New York City.
1891.	Louisa Haefer.	Jubbapore, India.	Philadelphia.	Philadelphia.
1891.	Mary Bryan, M. D.	Home on leave.	New York.	Ogdensburg, N. Y.
1892.	Grace Stephens.	Madras, India.	Baltimore.	India.
1892.	Effie Dunmore.	Guanajuato, Mexico.	Philadelphia.	Auburn Corners, Pa.
1892.	Rebecca J. Hammond.	Home on leave.	Cincinnati.	Key's Mills, O.
1892.	Josephine O. Paine.	Seoul, Korea.	New England.	Boston, Mass.

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APPOINT.	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1892.....	Effie G. Young.....	Home on Leave.....	New England.....	Waltham, Mass.
1892....	Luella M. Masters, M. D.....	Foochow, China.....	Northwestern.....	Thornton, Ind.
1892.....	Elizabeth Hoge.....	Gonda, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Bellaire, O.
1892.....	Kate A. Blackburn.....	Lofcha, Bulgaria.....	Northwestern.....	Jacksonville, Ill.
1892.....	Catherine Wood.....	Home on Leave.....	Des Moines.....	Huinston, Ia.
1892.....	Ada J. Lauck.....	Cawnpore, India.....	Des Moines.....	Indianola, Ia.
1892.....	Frances Craig.....	Calcutta, India.....	Northwestern.....	Evanston, Ill.
1892.....	Josephine Stahl.....	Home on Leave.....	Northwestern.....	Diagonal, Ia.
1892....	Christina Lawson.....	Bombay, India.....	New York.....	Green Island, N. Y.
1892.....	Ella J. Glover.....	Home on Leave.....	New England.....	Boston, Mass.
1892.....	Lydia A. Wilkinson.....	Foochow, China.....	Des Moines.....	Diagonal, Ia.
1892.....	Mary F. Cutler, M. D.....	Home on Leave.....	Cin. & N. York.....	Pomeroy, O.
1893.....	Mrs. Anna C. Davis.....	Nan King, China.....	Northwestern.....	Oak Park, Ill.
1893.....	Lulu E. Frey.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Cincinnati.....	Bellefontaine, O.
1893.....	Carrie A. Heaton.....	Home on Leave.....	Northwestern.....	Seymour, Ind.
1893.....	Willma H. Rouse.....	Home on Leave.....	Minneapolis.....	Lakefield, Minn.
1894.....	Harriet S. Alling.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Northwestern.....	Chicago, Ill.
1894.....	Florence E. Singer.....	Hakodate, Japan.....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
1894.....	Minnie E. Wilson.....	Foochow, China.....	Northwestern.....	Shelbyville, Ind.
1894.....	Lillian R. Marks.....	Ajmere, India.....	Pacific.....	San Francisco, Cal.
1894.....	Anna R. Elicker.....	Khandwa, India.....	Des Moines.....	Muscatine, Ia.
1894.....	Mabel Allen.....	Home on Leave.....	Des Moines.....	.....
1894.....	Mary Peters.....	Home on Leave.....	Northwestern.....	Princeville, Ill.
1894.....	Florence Nichols.....	Lucknow, India.....	New England.....	Boston, Mass.
1894.....	Lola May Kidwell.....	Home on Leave.....	Cincinnati.....	Bryn Mawr, Pa.
1894.....	Irene Lee.....	Home on Leave.....	New England.....	Burlington, Vt.
1894.....	Julia M. Donahue, M. D.....	Home on Leave.....	Cincinnati.....	Fremont, O.

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1894	Celesta Easton.....	Home on Leave.....	Pacific.....	Riverside, Cal.
1894	Lily D. Green.....	Home on Leave.....	Northwestern.....	Greencastle, Ind.
1894	Mary E. Wilson.....	Bareilly, India.....	Northwestern.....	India.
1894	Helen Galloway.....	Home on Leave.....	Des Moines.....	Mt. Ayr, Ia.
1894	Fannie E. Meyer.....	Home on Leave.....	Des Moines.....	Elm Grove, Mo.
1895	Gertrude Taft, M. D.....	Home on Leave.....	Pacific.....	Los Angeles.
1895	Clara J. Collier.....	Chun King, China.....	New England.....	Laconia, N. H.
1895	Phoebe Wells.....	Home on Leave.....	New York.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1895	Alice Linani.....	Home on Leave.....	New York.....	Leesburg, Ind.
1895	Kate O. Curtis.....	Naini Tal, India.....	New York.....	New York City.
1895	Laura S. Wright.....	Muttra, India.....	Northwestern.....	Washington, Ind.
1895	Althea M. Todd.....	Home on Leave.....	New England.....	Boston, Mass.
1895	Alice A. Evans.....	Hyderabad, India.....	Des Moines.....	Russell, Ia.
1895	Miranda Croucher.....	Home on Leave.....	New England.....	Boston, Mass.
1895	Hu King Eng, M. D.....	Foochow, China.....	Philadelphia.....	Foochow, China.
1895	Eva M. Hardie.....	Lucknow, India.....	Cincinnati.....	New York City.
1896	Emma Scott, M. D.....	Muttra, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Columbus, O.
1896	Mary Means.....	Moradabad, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Akron, O.
1896	Mary E. Shockley.....	Home on Leave.....	Cincinnati.....	Columbus, O.
1896	Katherine A. Spears.....	Baroda, India.....	Philadelphia.....	Reading, Pa.
1896	Gertrude Gilman.....	Peking, China.....	New England.....	Springfield, Vt.
1896	Fannie S. Fisher.....	Kolar, India.....	Northwestern.....	Danville, Ill.
1896	Ida Khan, M. D.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....	Northwestern.....	Kiu Kiang, China.
1896	Mary Stone, M. D.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....	Des Moines.....	Kiu Kiang, China.
1896	Elizabeth M. Bentheim.....	Poona, India.....	Northwestern.....	Millbrook, Ill.
1896	Caroline M. Purdy.....	Home on Leave.....	Philadelphia.....	Sunbury, Pa.
1896	Anna Suderstrom.....	Calcutta, India.....	New York.....	New York City.

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1896.....	Elizabeth Nichols.....	Bombay, India.....	New York.....	New York City.
1896.....	Carrie E. Merrill.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....	Northwestern.....	Flint, Mich.
1896.....	Charlotte J. Porter.....	Bombay, India.....	Northwestern.....	Wheaton, Ill.
1896.....	Clarissa E. Spencer.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
1896.....	Belle Waidman.....	Montevideo, S. A.....	New York.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1896.....	Frances G. Wilson.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Cincinnati.....	Chattanooga, Tenn.
1897.....	May B. Lilly.....	Singapore Sts. Settlements.	Minn. & Col. Riv.....	Arcola, Ill.
1897.....	Grace B. Todd.....	Home on Leave.....	Northwestern.....	
1897.....	Lillian Harris, M. D.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Cincinnati.....	Delaware, O.....
1897.....	Mariana Young.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	Cincinnati.....	Marysville, O.....
1897.....	Nellie Pierce.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Philadelphia.....	Chattanooga, Tenn.
1897.....	Mary E. Melton.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	Northwestern.....	Jacksonville, Ill.
1897.....	Martha Lebeus.....	Sieng lu, China.....	Cincinnati.....	Cincinnati, O.....
1897.....	Ida M. Bowne.....	Rome, Italy.....	Northwestern.....	Herkimer, N. Y.
1897.....	Clara Martin.....	Penang Straits Settlements	Minneapolis.....	Hamline, Minn.
1897.....	Nertie M. Hyde.....	Jubbulpore, India.....	Des Moines.....	Iowa.
1897.....	Martelle Elliot.....	Poona, India.....	New York.....	Van Wert, O.
1897.....	N. M. Daniel.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Des Moines.....	Tarr, Iowa.
1897.....	Melva A. Livermore.....	Meerut, India.....	Topeka.....	Smith Center, Kas.
1897.....	Laura Bohenhouse.....	Cawnpore, India.....	Des Moines.....	Cambria, Iowa.
1897.....	Amy Gifford Lewis.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Baltimore.....	Jamestown, N. Y.
1898.....	Alice Means.....	Moradabad, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Akron, Ohio.
1898.....	Marion Newton.....	Lucknow, India.....	Northwestern.....	Grand Lodge, Mich.
1898.....	Matilda Burman.....	Brindaban, India.....	Northwestern.....	Chicago, Ill.
1898.....	Isabella D. Longstreet.....	Foochow, China.....	Northwestern.....	Owosso, Mich.
1898.....	E. Marguerite Glenk.....	Kucheng, China.....	New York.....	Long Island City, N. Y.
1898.....	Elizabeth E. Varney.....	Hing Hua, China.....	Topeka.....	Pueblo, Cal.

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1898.....	Edith A. Hemmingway.....	Singapore, Malaysia.....	New England.....	Springfield, Mass.
1898.....	Miriam Forster.....	Asansol, India.....	Northwestern.....	Toronto, Canada.
1898.....	Ida Grace Loper.....	Seetapore, India.....	New York.....	Marilla, N. Y.
1898.....	Margaret Carver.....	Naini Tal, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Delaware, O.
1898.....	Cora Zentmire.....	Malange, Angola, Africa.....	Northwestern.....	Jay, Ill.
1898.....	Estelle M. Files.....	Naini Tal, India.....	New York.....	Brockport, N. Y.
1899.....	Helen Ingram.....	Bareilly, India.....	Minneapolis.....	Brighton, England.
1899.....	Emma Ernsberger, M. D.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Cincinnati.....	Cincinnati, O.
1899.....	Jennie Moyer.....	Calcutta, India.....	New York.....	Newark, N. Y.
1899.....	Clara M. Organ.....	Shahjahanpore, India.....	New England.....	Groveland, Mass.
1899.....	Mary Putnam Stearns.....	Lucknow, India.....	New England.....	Boston, Mass.
1899.....	Martha L. Nicolaisen.....	Sieng lu, China.....	Minneapolis.....	Cincinnati, O.
1899.....	Caroline Driebelbeis.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	New York.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1899.....	Mary Eva Gregg.....	Muttra, India.....	Northwestern.....	Danville, Ia.
1899.....	Carrie J. Samson.....	Calcutta, India.....	Des Moines.....	Vannest, Ia.
1899.....	Phebe A. Parkinson.....	Foochow, China.....	Columbia River.....	Spokane, Wash.
1899.....	Ella Manning.....	Chung King, China.....	Northwestern.....	Beloit, Wis.
1899.....	Louise T. Brouse.....	Lucknow, India.....	Northwestern.....	Irrington, Ind.
1899.....	Ada J. Southard.....	Hirosaki, Japan.....	Des Moines.....	Boston, Mass.
1899.....	Bertha E. Kneeland.....	Rosario, S. A.....	New England.....	Dellon, Kansas.
1900.....	Ida Bohannon.....	Pachuca, Mexico.....	Des Moines.....	Alta, Iowa.
1900.....	Josephine Mekkeson.....	Malange Angola, Africa.....	Northwestern.....	Ligonier, Ind.
1900.....	Laura E. Beazell.....	Rome, Italy.....	Northwestern.....	Kalamazoo, Mich.
1900.....	Dora Davis.....	Loftcha, Bulgaria.....	Northwestern.....	New York City.
1900.....	Mrs. Mary C. Meek.....	Kuala Lumpur, Sts. Set'm'ts.....	New York.....	Ada, Ohio.
1900.....	Luella R. Anderson.....	Kuala Lumpur, Sts. Set'm'ts.....	Cincinnati.....	New York City.
1900.....	Anna Norton, M. D.....	Manila, Philippine Islands.....	Cincinnati.....	Cleveland, O.
1900.....	Mary A. Cody.....	Singapore, Malaysia.....	Minneapolis.....	

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1900.....	Ida Ellis.....	Penang Sts. Settlements.....	Minneapolis.....	Greencastle, Ind.....
1900.....	Charlotte J. Holman.....	Ajmere, India.....	Pacific.....	Boston, Mass.....
1900.....	Luella Rigby.....	Thandaug, Burma.....	Des Moines.....	Mechanicsville, Iowa.....
1900.....	Mary V. McKinley.....	Darjeeling, India.....	Northwestern.....	Michigan.....
1900.....	H. Mariana Decker.....	Chung King, China.....	Northwestern.....	Dixon, Ill.....
1900.....	Eva Odgers.....	Rome, Italy.....	Northwestern.....	Chicago, Ill.....
1900.....	Mary L. Rowley.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....	Northwestern.....	Chicago, Ill.....
1900.....	Grace Stockwell.....	Rangoon, Burma.....	Des Moines.....	Murray, Iowa.....
1900.....	Mrs. Esther Kim Pak.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Philadelphia.....	Seoul, Korea.....
1900.....	Martha McKibben.....	Mexico City.....	Des Moines.....	Denison, Iowa.....
1900.....	Lucy E. Bungardner.....	Orizaba, Mexico.....	Des Moines.....	Iowa.....
1900.....	Emma E. Martin, M. D.....	Peking, China.....	Northwestern.....	Otterbein, Ind.....
1900.....	Elizabeth Martin.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	Northwestern.....	Otterbein, Ind.....
1900.....	Mary R. Hillman.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Cincinnati.....	Newark, Ohio.....
1900.....	Martha J. Miller.....	Khandwa, India.....	Des Moines.....	Iowa.....
1900.....	Ruth E. Robinson.....	Bombay, India.....	Baltimore.....	Calcutta, India.....
1900.....	Mary E. Williams.....	Baroda, India.....	Philadelphia.....	Grove City, Pa.....
1900.....	Alice J. Hammond.....	Seoul, Korea.....	New York.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.....
1900.....	Lulu A. Miller.....	Manila, Philippine Is.....	New York.....	Little Falls, N. Y.....
1900.....	Mrs. Cornelia Moots.....	Foochow, China.....	Northwestern.....	Bay City, Mich.....
1900.....	Florence Plumb.....	Seoul, Korea.....	New York.....	Foochow, China.....
1900.....	Ethel M. Estey.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	New York.....	Seoul, Korea.....
1882-1900.	Anna P. Atkinson.....		Baltimore.....	Cazenovia, N. Y.....

ACCEPTED BUT NOT APPOINTED.

Adaline Keller.....	.....	.....
Ella Holbrook.....	San Francisco, Cal.....	.....
Emily I. Rogers.....	Colfax, Ill.....	.....
Isabel McKnight.....	Gothenburg, Nebraska.....	.....
Henrietta Andrews.....	Iowa.....	.....
Delia Clinton.....	Hopkins, Mo.....	.....
Mary E. Bantu.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.....	.....
Harriet D. Jones.....	Luverne, Minn.....	.....
Alma Evans.....	Livingston, Montana.....	.....
Adaline Goetz.....	Fairmount, Minn.....	.....
Josephine Chowning.....	Aledo, Ill.....	.....
Margaret D. Lewis, M. D.....	Chicago, Ill.....	.....
Anna A. Abbott.....	Chicago, Ill.....	.....

RETIRED AFTER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' SERVICE.

Sarah Woolston.....	Foochow, China.....	Mt. Holly, N. J.
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RETIRED AFTER TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS' SERVICE.

Clara A. Swain, M. D.....	India.....	Castile, N. Y.
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APPOINT.	MISSIONARIES.	
1875.....	Miss Letitia A. Campbell.....	Peking, China.....
1878.....	" Susan B. Higgins.....	Yokohama, Japan.....
1876.....	" L. H. Green, M. D. (Mrs. Cheney).....	Bareilly, India.....
1881.....	" Emma Michener.....	Africa.....
1884.....	" Ella Gilchrist, M. D.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....
1871.....	" Beulah Woolston.....	Foochow, China.....
1880.....	" Cecelia Guelfi.....	Montevideo, S. A.....
1881.....	" Harriet Kerr.....	Bareilly, India.....
1880.....	" Florence Nickerson.....	Lucknow, India.....
1878.....	" Harriet Woolston, M. D.....	Moradabad, India.....
1872.....	" Elizabeth M. Pultz.....	Moradabad, India.....
1883.....	" Emma J. Everding.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....
1878.....	" M. E. Layton.....	Cawnpore, India.....
1888.....	" M. E. V. Pardoe.....	Tokyo, Japan.....
1887.....	" Mary A. Vance (Mrs. Belknap).....	Tokyo, Japan.....
1880.....	" Anna B. Sears.....	Peking, China.....
1884.....	" Clara A. Downey.....	India.....
1888.....	" Mary E. Carroll.....	Bombay, India.....
1884.....	" Linna M. Schenck.....	Bulgaria.....
1881.....	" Phebe Rowe.....	India.....
1889.....	" Maud E. Simons.....	Japan.....
1874.....	" Mary Hastings.....	Mexico.....
1887.....	" Nettie Ogden.....	Mexico.....
1887.....	" Mary A. Hughes (Mrs. Ernsberger).....	India.....
1900.....	" Martha McKibben.....	Mexico City, Mo.....
		Died May 18, 1878.
		" July 3, 1879.
		" Sept. 30, 1878.
		" Dec. 11, 1881.
		" April 23, 1884.
		" Oct. 24, 1886.
		" Dec. 11, 1886.
		" Jan. 31, 1887.
		" Nov. 5, 1887.
		" Jan. 13, 1892.
		" April 22, 1892.
		" Aug. 31, 1892.
		" Sept. 27, 1892.
		" Dec. 4, 1895.
		" Jan. 4, 1896.
		" June 12, 1897.
		" March 22, 1898.
		" April 13, 1898.
		" July 29, 1898.
		" Aug. 15, 1898.
		" Aug. 15, 1899.
		" 1899.
		" Nov. 12, 1900.

Missionaries.

SENT OUT FROM AMERICA OR EMPLOYED BY THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION IN 1869.

m Indicates marriage *r* Retired, *d* Deceased. (Name in parenthesis is married name.)

Date of App'm't.		Date of App'm't.	
1882 <i>m</i>	Akers, Estella, M. D. (Perkins)	1884 <i>r</i>	Christiancy, Mary F., M. D.
1882	Atkinson, Anna P.	1887	Carleton, May E., M. D.
1888 <i>r</i>	Atkinson, Mary	1888 <i>d</i>	Carroll, Mary E.
1886	Ayres, Harriet L.	1892 <i>r</i>	Crosthwaite, Isabella
1887 <i>r</i>	Abrams, Minnie F.	1892	Craig, Frances
1888	Allen, Belle J.	1892	Cutler, Mary F., M. D.
1894	Alling, H. S.	1894 <i>m</i>	Christiansen, Christina
1894	Allen, Mabel	1894 <i>m</i>	Collins, Ruth A. (Thoburn)
1900	Anderson, Luella R.	1895	Croucher, Miranda
		1895	Curts, Kate O.
1871 <i>m</i>	Brown, Maria (Davis)	1895	Collier, Clara J.
1872	Blackmar, Lou E.	1898	Carver, Margaret B.
1879 <i>r</i>	Bushnell, Kate C., M. D.	1900	Cody, Mary A.
1880	Budden, Annie		
1882 <i>m</i>	Benton, Emma (Elmer)	1874 <i>r</i>	Denning, Lou B.
1888	Bonafield, Julia A.	1882 <i>m</i>	Devine, Esther J. (Williams)
1887	Blackmore, Sophia	1884 <i>d</i>	Downey, Clara A.
1888	Bing, Anna L.	1884 <i>r</i>	De Line, Sarah M.
1888	Blair, Kate A.	1888 <i>r</i>	Danforth, Mary A.
1888 <i>r</i>	Black, Lillian R.	1888	Dickerson, Augusta
1888 <i>m</i>	Bowen, Mary E.	1888 <i>m</i>	Day, Martha E. (Abbott)
1889	Bender, Elizabeth A.	1890	Daily, Rebecca
1889	Blackstock, Ella	1890 <i>r</i>	Dudley, Hannah
1889	Baucus, Georgiana	1891 <i>r</i>	De Motte, Mary (Doering)
1890	Benn, Rachel R., M. D.	1892	Dunmore, Effie
1896 <i>m</i>	Bengel, Margaret (Jones)	1893 <i>m</i>	Diem, Lydia
1895 <i>m</i>	Barrows, Mrs. M. L., M. D.	1893	Davis, Anna L. (Mrs.)
1897	Bowen, Ida May	1894	Donahue, Julia M., M. D.
1891	Bryan, Mary E., M. D.	1895 <i>m</i>	Dart, Jennie M., M. D. (Dease)
1892	Blackburn, Kate A.	1896 <i>m</i>	Deaver, Ida C.
1894 <i>m</i>	Butcher, Annie	1897	Daniels, N. M.
1896	Bentheim, E. M.	1899	Driebelbeis, Caroline
1897 <i>r</i>	Boss, Harriet	1900	Davis, Dora
1897	Bobenhouse, Laura		Decker, H. M.
1898	Burman, Matilda		
1900	Bronse, Louise I.	1878	Easton, S. A.
1900	Bohannon, Ida	1885 <i>m</i>	Elliot, Mary J.
1900	Beazell, Laura E.	1883 <i>d</i>	Everding, Emma J.
1900	Bumgardner, Lucy E.	1884	English, Fannie M.
		1885 <i>m</i>	Elliot, Mary C.
1876 <i>m</i>	Carey, Mary F. (Davis)	1879 <i>m</i>	Elliot, Margaret (Wilson)
1875 <i>d</i>	Campbell, L. A.	1888	Ernsberger, I., M. D.
1874	Chapin, Jennie M.	1894	Elicker, Anna
1873 <i>m</i>	Coombs, L. M. D. (Strittmatter)	1894	Easton, Celesta
1878 <i>r</i>	Cushman, Clara	1895	Evans, Alice A.
1880 <i>r</i>	Clemens, Mrs. E. J.	1897	Elliott, Martelle
1884 <i>m</i>	Corey, Catherine, M. D. (Ford)	1899	Ernsberger, Emma, M. D.

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1899	Ewers, Harriet E.	1895	Hu King Eng, M. D.
1900	Ellis, Ida	1895 <i>m</i>	Hodge, Emma, M. D. (Worrell)
1900	Estey, Ethel M.	1897	Harris, Lillian, M. D.
		1897	Hyde, Nettie M.
1884 <i>m</i>	Fisher, Elizabeth (Brewster)	1898	Hemingway, E. A.
1886	Fuller, Delia A.	1900	Hollman, Charlotte J.
1887 <i>r</i>	Field, Nellie H.	1900	Hillman, Mary R.
1887 <i>r</i>	Fincham, Ella B.	1900	Hammond, Alice J.
1888	Files, Estella M.		
1889 <i>m</i>	Forbes, Ella R. (Phillips)	1889	Imhof, Louisa
1889	French, Anna S.	1899	Ingram, Helen
1891	Frey, Celia M.	1899	Illingworth, Charlotte
1892 <i>m</i>	Ferris, Emma E. (Shellabear)		
1893	Frey, Lulu E.	1883	Jewell, Mrs. C. M.
1893	Foster, Eva M.	1884	Jewell, Carrie I.
1896	Fisher, Fannie S.	1888 <i>m</i>	Johnson, Ella (Kinneer)
1898	Forster, Miriam	1894 <i>r</i>	Johnson, Anna
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1875 <i>d</i>	Green, Lucillia H., M.D. (Chen-	1881	Knowles, Emma L.
1878 <i>r</i>	Gibson, Eugenia	1881 <i>d</i>	Kerr, Hattie A.
1879	Gheer, Jennie M.	1885	Kyle, Theresa J.
1880 <i>m</i>	Goodenough, Julia E. (Hudson)	1880 <i>r</i>	Kelly, Luella
1880 <i>d</i>	Gilchrist, Ella, M. D.	1886 <i>m</i>	Kaulback, Anna L. (Wilson)
1878 <i>d</i>	Guelfi, Cecelia	1888	Ketring, Mary, M. D.
1886 <i>r</i>	Green, Nellie R.	1891	Kemper, Harriet
1885	Gloss, Anna M., M. D.	1891 <i>m</i>	Kennedy, Mary E. (Core)
1887	Gallimore, Anna	1892	Keeler, Anna C.
1889	Griffiths, Mary B.	1894	Kidwell, Lola M.
1892	Glover, Ella J.	<i>m</i>	Kissick, S. E. (McCartney)
1894	Greene, Lily D.	1896	Khan, Ida, M. D.
1894	Galloway, Helen	1900	Kneeland, Bertha E.
1895 <i>r</i>	Goodin, E. S.		
1896	Gilman, Gertrude	1874 <i>m</i>	Lore, Julia A., M. D. (McGrew)
1898	Glenk, E. Marguerite.	1878 <i>d</i>	Layton, M. E.
1899	Gregg, Mary E.	1873 <i>m</i>	Leming, Sarah (Shepherd)
		1884	Le Huray, Eleanor
1884	Harvey, Emily L.	1884	Loyd, Mary DeF.
1884 <i>m</i>	Hedrick, M. C. (Miles)	1884 <i>r</i>	Latimer, Laura
1883 <i>r</i>	Hamisfar, F. N., M. D.	1892 <i>r</i>	Lauck, Ada J.
1872	Howe, Gertrude	1886	Lawson, Anna E.
1879 <i>r</i>	Howe, Delia A.	1890	Lyon, M. Ella, M. D.
1872	Hoag, L. A., M. D.		Lewis, Ella A.
1874 <i>d</i>	Hastings, Mary L.	1891	Limberger, Anna R.
1877 <i>m</i>	Howard, Leonora, M.D. (King)	1892	Lawson, Christina H.
1878 <i>m</i>	Holbrook, Mary A. (Chappell)	1885	Lauck, Sarah
1878 <i>d</i>	Higgins, Susan B.	1894	Lee, Irene
1881	Hampton, Minnie S.	1891 <i>r</i>	Locke, Jennie
1881 <i>m</i>	Hoy, Ella J. (Lawson)	1895	Linam, Alice
1883	Hugaboom, Marion	1897 <i>r</i>	Lamb, Emma L.
1883 <i>m</i>	Hyde, Laura, M. D. (Foote)	1897	Lebeus, Martha
1887 <i>m</i>	Hughes, Mary (Ernsberger)	1897	Lilly, May B.
1886	Hewett, Elizabeth	1897	Livermore, Melva A.
1884	Hewett, Ella J.	1897	Lewis, Amy G.
1885	Hall, Emma M.	1898	Longstreet, I. D.
1887 <i>r</i>	Howard, Meta, M. D.	1898	Loper, I. Grace
1887	Hartford, Mabel C.	1889	Livingstone, Kate
1888 <i>m</i>	Hale, Lillian G.		
1888 <i>m</i>	Hyde, Minnie J. (Wilson)	1873 <i>m</i>	Monelle, Nancy, M. D. (Man-
1891	Haefer, Louisa	1874	Mason, Letitia, M. D. (Quine)
1892	Hammond, Rebecca J.	1878 <i>r</i>	Mulliner, Clara
1892	Hoge, Elizabeth	1871	McMillan, Carrie (Buck)
1892 <i>m</i>	Harrington, Susan (Cousland)	1881 <i>d</i>	Michenor, Emma
1892 <i>m</i>	Hebinger, Josephine (Snuggs)	1883 <i>m</i>	McKesson, Mary (Conkling)
1893 <i>m</i>	Harris, Mary W. (Follwell)	1884	Mansell, Henrietta (Monroe)
1893	Heatou, Carrie A.	1886 <i>r</i>	Miller, Oriel
1893 <i>m</i>	Harris, Nellie	1886 <i>r</i>	McDowell, Kate, M. D.
1895	Hardie, Eva M.	1888	Maxey, Elizabeth
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1888	m	McBurnie, Susan (Bond)	1900		Rowley, Mary L.
1888		Mitchell, Emma L.	1900		Robinson, Ruth E.
1892		Masters, Luella, M. D. (er)			
1893	m	McGregor, Kate, M. D. (Boom-	1869	r	Swain, Clara A., M. D.
1894		Marks, Lillian E.	1870	r	Sparkes, Fannie J.
1894		Meyer, Fannie E.	1874	m	Schoonmaker, Dora (Soper)
1896		Merrill, C. E.	1878		Spencer, Matilda A.
1896		Means, Mary	1878		Swaney, Mary F.
1897		Martin, Clara	1878	m	Sparr, Julia A., M. D. (Coffin)
1897		Melton, Mary E.,	1879	r	Sharpe, Mary
1898		Means, Alice	1880	m	Spence, Mattie B. (Perrie)
1899		Moyer, Jennie E.	1880	d	Sears, Annie B.
1899		Manning, Ella	1884	d	Schenck, Linna M.
1900		Mekkeson, Josephine	1885		Scranton, Mrs. M. F.
1900		Meek, Mrs. Mary C.	1885		Smith, Lida B.
1900		McKinley, Mary V.	1887		Shaw, Ella C.
1900	d	McKibben, Martha	1888		Sullivan, Lucy W.
1900		Martin, Emma E., M. D.	1888		Sheldon, Martha A., M. D.
1900		Miller, Lula A.	1898	d	Simons, Maude E.
1900		Miller, Martha J.	1889		Steere, Anna E.
1900		Martin, Elizabeth	1889		Scott, Fannie A.
1900		Moots, Mrs. Cornelia	1889		Sellers, Ruth E.
			1890		Stevenson, Ida B., M. D.
1880	d	Nickerson, Florence	1890	m	Sites, Ruth M. (Brown)
1892	r	Neiger, Lillian	1890	m	Sherwood, R., M. D. (Hall)
1894		Nichols, Florence	1890		Seeds, Leonora H.
1896		Nichols, Elizabeth	1890		Stephens, Grace
1898		Newton, Marion	1892		Stahl, Josephine
1899		Nicolaisen, Martha L.	1892	m	Stanton, Alice M. (Woodruff)
1900		Norton, Anna J., M. D.	1894		Singer, Florence E.
			1895	m	Sterling, Florence (Leuth)
1876	d	Ogden, Nettie C.	1896		Spencer, Clarissa E.
1891		Ogburn, Kate L.	1896		Sunderstrom, Anna
1894	m	Otto, Alice M. (Selby)	1896		Stone, Mary, M. D.
1900		Organ, Clara M.	1896		Scott, Emma, M. D.
1900		Odgers, Eva	1896		Shockley, Mary E.
			1896		Spear, Katherine A.
			1899		Stearns, Mary P.
1871	m	Porter, Mary Q. (Gamewell)	1899		Samson, Carrie J.
1872	d	Pultz, Elizabeth M.	1900		Sonthard, Ada J.
1878	r	Priest, Mary	1903		Stockwell, Grace
1896	r	Pray, Susan, M. D.			
1888	m	Perrine, Florence (Mansell)	1869		Thoburn, Isabella (les)
1888		Peters, Sarah	1874	m	Trask, Sigourney, M. D. (Cow-
1888	d	Pardoe, Mary E. V.	1871	m	Tinsley, Jennie M. (Waugh)
1889		Phelps, Frances E.	1887		Terry, Edna G., M. D.
1889	r	Parker, Theda A.	1889	m	Taylor, Martha E. (Callahan)
1890		Perkins, Fannie A.	1889		Trimble, Lydia A.
1892		Paine, Josephine O.	1889	m	Thompson, Anna (Stephens)
1894		Peters, Mary	1890	m	Tucker, Grace (Tague)
1896		Purdy, Caroline M.		r	Thompson, E.
1896		Porter, Charlotte J.	1895		Todd, Althea M.
1897		Pierce, Nelie	1895	r	Tryon, Elizabeth V.
1899		Parkinson, Phebe A.	1895		Taft, Gertrude, M. D.
1900		Pak, Mrs. Esther Kim	1897		Todd, Grace
1900		Plumb, Florence			
			1881		VanPetten, Mrs. Carrie
1879		Russell, Elizabeth	1887	d	Vance, Mary A. (Belknap)
1881	d	Rowe, Phoebe	1889		Van Dorsten, Amelia
1884		Reed, Mary	1891		Vickery, Ella M.
1884		Robinson, Mary C.	1898		Varney, Elizabeth E.
1886	m	Rulofson, G. M.			
1887		Rothweiler, Louisa C.	1871	d	Woolston, Beulah
1889	m	Rogers, Anna M. (Furness)	1871	r	Woolston, Sarah H.
1893		Rouse, Wilma H.	1874	m	Warner, Susan M. (Densmore)
1895	r	Russell, Martha H.	1876	m	Whiting, Olive (Bishop)
1900		Rigby, Luella	1878	d	Woolston, Henrietta, M. D.

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1880 <i>d</i>	Woodworth, Kate (Quinn)	1894	Wilson, Mary
1881 <i>m</i>	Warner, Ellen H. (Fox)	1895	Wright, Laura S.
1881 <i>m</i>	Wheeler, Frances J. (Verity)	1895	Wells, Phebe
1883	Watson, Rebecca J.	1896 <i>m</i>	Widdifield, Flora M.
1885	Wisner, Julia E.	1896	Waldman, Belle
1889	Wood, Elsie	1896	Wilson, Fannie G.
1894	Wilson, May	1900	Williams, Mary E.
1889	Wilson, Frances O.		
1891 <i>m</i>	Walton, Ida B.	1880 <i>r</i>	Yates, Elizabeth U.
1891	White, Laura M.	1892	Young, Effie G.
1889 <i>m</i>	Wilson, Mary E. (Buchanan)	1897	Young, Mariana
1892	Wood, Catherine A.		
1892	Wilkinson, Lydia A.	1898	Zentmire, Cora
Missionaries.		365	
Medical.		47	
Deceased.		25	
Married.		76	
Retired.		44	

Summary of Foreign Work.

The Society supports 221 missionaries.

Of these twenty-three are medical missionaries. Over one thousand Bible Readers and Native Workers are employed. In the Boarding Schools, Day Schools and Training Schools over eighteen thousand pupils are under the care of the Society.

Nineteen Hospitals and Dispensaries are supported, and the Medical Missionaries treat over eighty thousand patients annually.

Missionaries and Their Stations.

Ajmere, India.

Marks, Lillian R.
Holman, C. J.

Asansol, India.

Forster, Miriam

Aligarh, India.

Gallimore, Anna

Bareilly, India.

English, Fannie M.
Lawson, Christine
Ingram, Helen
Wilson, May E.
Elliot, M.
Burnam, Matilda

Baroda, India.

Williams, Mary E.
Spear, Katharine A.

Bombay, India.

Porter, Charlotte J.
Lawson, Christine H.
Nichols, Elizabeth
Robinson, Ruth E.

Brindaban, India.

Burnam, Matilda.

Calcutta, India.

Craig, Frances
Moyer, Jennie
Maxey, Elizabeth
Suderstrom, Anna
Blair, Kate A.
Samson, Carrie J.

Cawnpore, India.

Lauck, Ada J.
Bobenhouse, L.

Chinkiang, China.

Hoag, A. Lucy, M. D.
Robinson, Mary C.
White, Laura M.

Chung-King, China.

Ketring, Mary, M. D.
Decker, H. M.
Collier, Clara J.
Manning, Ella

Darjeeling, India.

Knowles, Emma L.
McKinley, M. V.

Foochow, China.

Bonafield, Julia A.
Wilkinson, Lydia A.
Ha King Eng, M. D.
Hartford, Mabel C.
Jewell, Carrie I.
Parkinson, Phoebe A.
Longstreet, I. D.
Glenk, E. M.
Masters, Luella, M. D.
Wilson, Minnie E.
Plumb, Florence

Fukuoka, Japan.

Seeds, L. H.

Guanajuato, Mexico.

Dunmore, Effie

Gonda, India.

Hoge, Elizabeth
Scott, Fannie

Gulbarga, India.

Ernsberger, I., M. D.

Hakodate, Japan.

Hampton, Minnie S.
Singer, Florence E.
Dickerson, Augusta
Bing, Anna V.

Hyderabad, India.

Wood, Catherine
Evans, Alice A.

Hirosaki, Japan.

Hewett, Ella S.
Southard, Ada J.

Hinghwa, China.

Wilson, Minnie E.
Varney, Elizabeth

Jubbulpore, India.

Hyde, Nettie M.
Haefer, Louisa

Kiukiang, China.

Howe, Gertrude
Rowley, Mary L.
Stone, Mary, M. D.
Khan, Ida, M. D.
Merrill, Clara E.

Kundwa, India.

Elicker, Anna
Miller, Martha J.

Kolar, India.

Fisher, Fannie S.

Kagoshima, Japan.

Gheer, Jennie M.
Smith, Lida B.

Kuala Lampur, Sts. Settlements.

Meek, Mary C. Mrs.
Anderson, Luella R.

Loftcha, Bulgaria.

Blackburn, Kate B.
Davis, Dora

Lucknow, India.

Thoburn, Isabella
Nichols, Florence L.
Newton, M.
Hardie, Eva M.
Stearns, Mary P.
Brouse, Louisa O.

Madras, India.

Stephens, Grace

Malange, Angola, Africa.

Zentmire, Cora
Mekkeson, J.

Moradabad, India.

Means, Mary
Means, Alice

Montevideo, S. A.

Hewitt, Elizabeth
Waidman, Belle

Muttra, India.

Lawson, Anna
Wright, Laura S.
Burman, M.
Gregg, M. E.
Scott, Emma, M. D.

Meerut, India.

Livermore, M. A.

Mexico City.

Loyd, Mary De F.
Ayres, H. L.

Manila, Ph. Islands.

Wisner, Julia E.
Norton, Anna, M. D.
Moots, Cornelia, Mrs.

Naina Tal, India.

Easton, S. A.
Curts, Kate O.
Carver, M.
Sullivan, Lucy W.
Files, Estelle M.

Nanking, China.

Davis, Mrs. Anna C.

Nagasaki, Japan.

Russel, Elizabeth
Driebelbeis, Caroline
Martin, Elizabeth
Melton, Mary E.
Young, Marianna

Nagoya, Japan.

Bender, E. R.
Atkinson, Anna P.

Nan Chang.

Trimble, Lydia

Orizaba, Mexico.

Bumgardner, L.

Peking, China.

Gilman, Gertrude
Frey, C. M.
Martin, Emma E., M. D.

Puebla, Mexico.

Limberger, Anna R.

Paori, India.

Kyle, Theresa J.

Pachuca, Mexico.

VanDorsten, A.
Bohannon, Ida

Pyeng Yang, Korea.

Hall, Rosetta Sherwood,
M. D.

Pithoragarh, India.

Budden, Annie
Sheldon, Martha, M. D.
Reed, Mary

Penang, Straits Settlement.

Martin, Clara
Ellis, Ida

Poona, India.

Benthein, E. M.
Fisher, Fannie S.
Elliot, Martelle

Rome, Italy.

Vickery, M. E.
Bowne, Ida May
Beazell, Laura
Odgers, Eva

Rangoon, Burmah.

Perkins, Fannie A.
Illingworth, Charlotte
Stockwell, Grace

Rosario, S. A.

Kneeland, Bertha E.

Raipur.

Blackmar, Louise E.

Seoul, Korea.

Scranton, M. F., Mrs.
Frey, Lulu E.
Lewis, Ella A.
Paine, Josephine O.
Pierce, Nellie
Harris, Lillian, M. D.
Ernsberger, E., M. D.
Estey, Ethel M.

Seoul, Korea.

Pak Kim, Esther, Mrs.
M. D.
Hillman, Mary R.
Hammond, Alice J.
Miller, Lula A.

Singapore, Straits Settlement.

Blackmore, Sophia
Lilly, May B.
Hemingway, E. A.
Cady, Mary A.

Seetapore, India.

Loper, I. Grace

Sendai.

Phelps, Frances E.

Shahjahanpore, India.

Organ, Clara M.

Sieng lu.

Lebeus, Martha
Nicolaisen, Martha L.

Siróncha, India.

Fuller, Delia A.

Sappora.

Bing, Annie L.
Imhof, Louise

Tientsin (Tsunhwa), China

Benn, Rachel R., M. D.
Stevenson, Ida M., M. D.
Wilson, Frances O.

Tokyo, Japan.

Lewis, Amy G.
Blackstock, Ella
Spencer, C. E.
Wilson, Fannie G.
Alling, H. S.
Daniels, N. M.
Griffiths, Mary B.
Baucus, G.

Thandang, Burmah.

Rigby, Luella

Wu Hu.

Mitchell, Emma

Yokohama, Japan.

Lewis, A. G.

Constitution

OF

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This organization shall be called "THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH."

ARTICLE II.—OBJECT.

The object of this Society is to engage and unite the efforts of Christian women in sending missionaries to the women in foreign mission fields of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in supporting them and all forms of work carried on by the Society.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute Membership, and twenty dollars Life-Membership. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become a Manager for Life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor a Patron for Life.

ARTICLE IV.—ORGANIZATION.

The organization of this Society shall consist of a General Executive Committee, Co-ordinate Branches, District Associations, Auxiliary Societies, to be constituted and limited as laid down in subsequent articles.

ARTICLE V.—GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

SECTION I. "The management and general administration of the affairs of the Society shall be vested in a General Executive Committee consisting of a President, Recording Secretary, General Treasurer; the Corresponding Secretary, and two Delegates from each Branch, and the Superintendent of German work. The President, Recording Secretary, General Treasurer, and Superintendent of German Work shall be elected annually by the General Executive Committee. The two delegates and reserves shall be elected at the Branch Annual Meetings." Said committee shall meet in Boston, the third Wednesday in April, 1870, and annually, or oftener, thereafter, at such time and place as the General Executive Committee shall annually determine.

SECTION 2. The duties of the General Executive Committee shall be :

First. To take into consideration the interests and demands of the entire work of the Society as presented in the report of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries, and in the estimates of the needs of mission fields ; to ascertain the financial condition of the Society ; to appropriate its money in accordance with the purposes and method therein indicated ; to devise means for carrying forward the work of the Society ; fixing the amounts to be raised ; employing new missionaries, designating their field of labor, examining the reports of those already employed and arranging with the several Branches the work to be undertaken by each.

Second. To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided all the plans and directions of the committee shall be in harmony with the provisions of the Constitution.

ARTICLE VI.—PERMANENT COMMITTEES OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE.

1. The Committee of Reference shall be composed of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries.

2. It shall meet immediately after the adjournment of the General Executive Committee, and organize by the election of a Chairman and Secretary.

3. All cases of emergency that would come before the General Executive Committee, arising in the interim of its sessions, shall be submitted to this Committee, and decided by a majority vote.

4. The Chairman shall send each resolution that is submitted to the committee to each member, and when all have returned their votes, the Recording Secretary shall declare the result, and record both resolutions and votes.

5. The Committee shall present a full report of its action during the year to the General Executive Committee for approval and permanent record.

CONSTITUTIONAL PUBLICATION COMMITTEE.

1. This committee shall be composed of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries.

2. It shall meet and organize immediately after the adjournment of the General Executive Committee, by the election of a Chairman and Secretary.

3. This Committee shall take charge of the missionary periodicals of the Society and arrange for the publication of an annual report of the

work of the Society. This Committee shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

4. The publisher shall give the Chairman an itemized report of the receipts and expenditures of the periodicals properly audited, by the first of October. If she finds it necessary to deviate from the published instructions of the General Executive Committee, she shall lay the matter before this committee, and be subject to its direction.

5. A committee of three shall be appointed annually by the Constitutional Publication Committee, to whom shall be entrusted the investment and control of the funds of these publications.

6. The publisher shall commence and close her financial year with October 1.

7. If the office of editor or publisher becomes vacant during the year this committee shall have the power to fill the vacancy.

LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

There shall be a Literature Committee of three whose duty it shall be to provide all the Literature of the Society except the periodicals, and General Executive Committee's Report.

ARTICLE VII.—CO-ORDINATE BRANCHES.

SECTION I. Co-ordinate Branches of this Society on their acceptance of this relationship under the provisions of the Constitution, may be organized in accordance with the following general plan for districting the territory of the church.

NAME.	STATES INCLUDED.	HEADQUARTERS.
New England Branch,	- - - - - New England States.	Boston, Mass.
New York Branch,	- - - - - New York, New Jersey.	New York, N. Y.
Philadelphia Branch,	- - - - - Pennsylvania and Delaware.	Philadelphia, Pa.
Baltimore Branch,	- - - - - Maryland, District of Columbia, Eastern Virginia and Florida.	Baltimore, Md.
Cincinnati Branch,	- - - - - Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee.	Cincinnati, O.
Northwestern Branch,	- - - - - Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin.	Chicago, Ill.
Des Moines Branch,	- - - - - Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas, and Louisiana.	Des Moines, Iowa.
Minneapolis Branch,	- - - - - Minnesota, North and South Dakota.	Minneapolis, Minn.

NAME.	STATES INCLUDED.	HEADQUARTERS.
Topeka Branch,	- - - - -	Topeka, Kan.
	Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Texas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma.	
Pacific Branch,	- - - - -	Los Angeles, Cal.
	California, Nevada, Arizona, and Hawaii.	
Columbia River Branch,	- - - - -	Portland, Ore.
	Montana, Idaho, Washington, and Oregon.	

This plan, however, may be changed by an affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the General Executive Committee present at any annual meeting of the same.

SEC. 2. The officers of each Branch Society shall consist of a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor and such other officers as shall be necessary for the efficient work of the Branch. These, with the exception of Auditor, shall constitute an Executive Committee for the administration of the affairs of the Branch, nine of whom shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. These officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Branch, and shall continue in office until others are chosen in their stead.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall have supervision of the work assigned to the Branch by the General Executive Committee, provide for all the needs, and receive reports from all forms of work carried on by the Society, who, by the plan of the General Executive Committee, are to be supported by the Branch.

SEC. 4. No Branch shall project new work, or undertake the support of new missionaries, except by the direction or with the approval of the General Executive Committee.

SEC. 5. Each Branch may make such By-Laws as may be deemed necessary to its efficiency, not inconsistent with this Constitution.

ARTICLE VIII.--DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

District Associations shall be formed wherever practicable; said associations to have supervision of all auxiliaries within their limits.

ARTICLE IX.—AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Any number of women who shall contribute annually may form a society auxiliary to that Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, within whose prescribed territorial limits they may reside, by appointing a President, one or more Vice-Presidents or Managers, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, who together shall constitute a local Executive Committee.

ARTICLE X.—RELATING TO THE MISSIONARY AUTHORITIES OF THE CHURCH.

SEC. 1. This Society shall work in harmony with and under the supervision of the authorities of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The appointment, recall, and remuneration of missionaries, and the designation of their fields of labor shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and annual appropriations to mission fields shall be submitted for revision and approval to the General Missionary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SEC. 2. All missionaries sent out by this Society shall labor under the direction of the particular Conference or Missions of the Church in which they may be severally employed. They shall be annually appointed by the President of the Conference or Mission, and shall be subject to the same rules of removal that govern the other missionaries.

SEC. 3. All the work of the Woman's Society in foreign lands shall be under the direction of the Conference or Missions, and their committees in exactly the same manner as the work of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Superintendent or Presiding Elder having the same relation to the work and the person in charge that he would have were it in the charge of any other member of the Conference or Mission.

SEC. 4. The funds of the Society shall not be raised by collections or subscriptions taken during any of our regular church services, nor in any Sunday-schools, but shall be raised by such methods as the Constitution of the Society shall provide, none of which shall interfere with the contributions of our people and Sunday-Schools for the treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the amount so collected shall be reported by the pastor to the annual Conference, and be entered in a column among the benevolent collections in the annual and general minutes.

SEC. 5. Section 4 of this paragraph (§362) shall not be interpreted as to prevent the women from taking collections in meetings convened in the interests of their societies; nor from securing memberships and life memberships in audiences where their work is represented, nor from holding festivals, or arranging lectures in the interests of their work.

* ARTICLE XI.—CHANGE OF CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the General Executive Committee, by a two-thirds vote of each Branch delegation, notice of the proposed change having been given at the previous annual meeting; but Article X shall not be changed except with the concurrence of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

By-Laws of the General Executive Committee.

I. The General Executive Committee shall convene not later than the last week in October.

II. The annual meetings of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church shall be held at such places as the said committee shall elect.

III. The President and Corresponding Secretary of the Branch within whose precincts the meeting of the General Executive Committee is to be held, shall fix the exact date of the meetings of said Committee, and arrange for the anniversary exercises.

IV. The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall meet at least three days before the time of the meeting of the General Executive Committee for the purpose of nominating the members of the Standing Committees, and planning work for its session, and report the same at the opening of said Committee.

V. The travelling expenses of President and Recording Secretary shall be paid by General Treasurer of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

VI. The order of business shall be as follows :

1. Calling the roll.
2. Appointment of Standing Committees, *i. e.*, Committee on Publication, Committee on Finance, Committee on Application of Missionary Candidates, Committee on By-Laws.
3. Reception of Memorials and Petitions.
4. Reports of Corresponding Secretaries.
5. Report of Committee of Reference.
6. Report of Constitutional Publication Committee.
7. Reports of Editors and Publishers.
8. Report of Official Correspondents and presentation of information from foreign work.
9. Fixing place for next meeting.
10. Election of President and Secretary, who shall continue in office until the appointment of their successors.

11. Notice of constitutional amendments.
12. Miscellaneous business.
13. Reports of Standing Committees daily, immediately after reading minutes.

VII. The rules of order shall be as follows :

1. Each session shall open and close with devotional exercises.
2. All resolutions to be discussed shall be presented in writing.
3. No member shall be granted leave of absence except by a vote of the entire body.

By-Laws

OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society.
2. The Recording Secretary shall keep a full record of all proceedings of the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and place the same in the safe of the Publication Office.

She shall present at the anniversary of the Society a report of the year's work. She shall also forward to our foreign treasurers, as soon as practicable after adjournment of the General Executive Committee, a copy of the appropriations for each mission.

II.—BRANCH CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

3. The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall superintend all the interests of their respective Branches ; conduct the correspondence of the Society with foreign missionaries ; be present at all Branch annual, and quarterly meetings, and present a quarterly report of the work of the Branch, and give to the public, or direct to be given, all communications and plans of the business of their respective Branches.

Each Corresponding Secretary shall be required to furnish in her report to the General Executive Committee the following items : Number of Auxiliary Societies, members, life members, honorary patrons and managers, subscribers to the *Woman's Missionary Friend* and the receipts of the Treasurer. In her report of the foreign work she shall include the number of missionaries, Bible-readers, boarding schools, and orphans supported by her Branch.

III.—BRANCH TREASURERS.

1. Branch Treasurers shall be required to publish quarterly in the *Woman's Missionary Friend* their report of moneys received.

2. The financial year of the Society shall commence October 1st. Branch Treasurers will close their accounts for the year by September 30.

3. The money received from annual memberships shall not be used to make Life Members, Managers or Patrons. Life membership shall be made by the payment of twenty dollars, given specifically for that purpose. If in installments, the final payment shall be made as soon as practicable, and the membership reported as complete only when that has been done; all the installments to be credited on the Treasurer's book and acknowledged in the *Woman's Missionary Friend*.

4. In case any Branch is unable to meet the obligations it has assumed, any other Branch may, by the action of its Executive Board, be permitted to use its surplus funds in aid of the Branch deficient.

5. Any bequest or donation made to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Branch within whose territory the bequest or donation is made, unless otherwise specified by the donor.

IV.—SECRETARY OF LITERATURE.

There shall be a Secretary of Literature elected by each Branch, whose duty shall be to assist the Literature Committee through correspondence, by suggestions, by presenting the needs of their respective Branches, and aiding in any other way the Literature Committee may desire. It shall also be the duty of the Branch Literature Secretary to advance the interests and increase the circulation of our literature and publications in every possible way.

V.—FOREIGN TREASURERS.

1. Our Foreign Treasurers shall forward their estimates, properly approved and printed, if possible, to each Corresponding Secretary before October 1.

2. The Treasurers in the foreign field are instructed to forward receipts for remittances and a statement of balance in hand quarterly to the Branch Corresponding Secretaries and Treasurers, and a full financial statement annually to the Official Correspondent of the specific mission field in time to insure its arriving before October 1st of each year.

3. The appropriations for the foreign fields shall be paid on the basis of the currency of the country, the exchange therefrom accruing to our treasury, with the exception of the salaries of the missionaries and buildings, which shall be paid on the basis of American gold.

4. The funds of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be entirely under the control of the General Executive Committee, to be used only for the purposes designated by that committee. Our missionaries shall not exceed in expenditure the amount appropriated by the General Executive Committee. Emergencies arising during the year can be met only by application, properly endorsed by the missionary authorities, to the Committee of Reference.

5. If any surplus funds remain in the Foreign Treasuries from unused appropriations, exchange, or any other source, they must be reported to the Branches, and held subject to the order of the Secretary of the Branch from whose moneys they accrue.

VI.—OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall correspond with the missionaries, so as to be able to present a full report of the work in each mission, such information to be presented to the General Executive Committee, the fields assigned to the several Secretaries to be arranged by themselves.

VII.—INSTRUCTIONS TO MISSIONARIES.

We call the attention of the missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society especially to Article X, Section 3, of Constitution, in compliance with which they will consult the Superintendent of the mission in which they are laboring on all general plans of their work, and advise with him as to the most effective measures to be taken in the purchase of property, building and any important undertaking belonging to their special interest.

1. They are expected to attend the annual meeting or Conference of their mission, and they may confer with other members of the mission upon all topics connected with their own department, and will report quarterly to the Superintendent.

2. They will be expected to devote their entire time and attention to their legitimate work, as all their temporal necessities will be provided for by the Society.

3. They are required to send quarterly reports to the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch having charge of their work, and the action of the General Executive Committee will be communicated to them through the Recording Secretary of the Reference Committee.

4. They, with the wives of missionaries who labor in the interests of the Society, shall constitute a committee to prepare, at each session of the Conference or annual meeting of the missionaries, the estimates for the ensuing year, which estimates shall have the sanction of said Confer-

ence or annual meeting before being forwarded to the General Executive Committee.

5. They shall incur no expense during the year to be met by this Society for which the estimate has not previously been submitted to, and approved by the General Executive Committee at its annual meeting.

6. They shall credit to the Society all donations received for the support of their work, and annually report the same with their financial statement.

7. All solicitations for funds for special work must be made through the proper official authorities, and missionaries are instructed not to apply to private sources for aid or support of their work.

8. A medical missionary shall be accountable to the Branch from which she is sent. She shall keep an itemized account of all receipts and disbursements, and report them quarterly to the Treasurer of the Mission; any surplus being remitted to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and her medical outfit shall be the property of the same.

9. If there prove to be a manifest unfitness for missionary labor, the General Executive Committee may cancel its obligations to a missionary whom it has appointed, three months' notice having been given to such appointee by the Committee of Reference, return passage to be paid by the Society, provided she return at the expiration of the three months.

10. A lady missionary desiring her expenses paid by the Society for a return home from any other cause than that of ill health, must secure permission from the General Executive Committee or Committee of Reference, through the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch supporting her.

11. All missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society are instructed not to adopt any child as their own, and are asked to give a promise that they will keep this rule.

12. All rules pertaining to the relations of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church with its missionaries shall be published in the general annual report.

13. The Corresponding Secretary of the Branch by which any missionary is sent shall be required to sign the following contract :
I, ———, Corresponding Secretary of ——— Branch, by which the money is raised for the support of ———, agree, on the part of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to pay the traveling expenses of ——— from the time of her leaving home to that of her arrival in her field of labor, and also her salary from the latter date. In case of illness, I agree, on the part of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to submit a resolution to the General Executive

Committee, or in the interim of its sessions, to the Committee of Reference, asking the privilege of her return home. Such permission being granted, I agree to pay her return passage ; and in case her relations to the Society are harmonious, her salary for the first year, at the rate of three hundred and fifty dollars, or if it be inexpedient for her to return, at the rate of three hundred dollars.

In case of emergency demanding her immediate return home, she shall bring a certificate of disability from a physician and the Superintendent of the mission.

14. We agree to pay our missionaries \$200 for personal outfit, and \$100 for the furnishing of the home, when necessary, the latter to be the property of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

15. We recommend, when practicable, that such an arrangement be made for the duties of our missionaries during the first years' service as shall allow them considerable time for the study of the language, and that their salary for that year shall be four hundred dollars, with one hundred and fifty for incidentals. Medical missionaries shall from the first receive full salary.

16. Each returned missionary shall be expected to attend the first General Executive Committee session after her return, and her traveling expenses to and from the place of meeting shall be met by the Branch supporting her, unless otherwise provided for. Missionaries returning home will please notice that the charges on freight and duties are very large and are requested to make these as light as possible, leaving heavy and unnecessary things in the country where they have been working.

17. We accept the relation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to the authorities of the church, and to our workers in the field, as interpreted by the delegated conference in India, in their session of 1881, as follows :

WHEREAS, Certain usages have grown up and been found acceptable and successful in connection with our older mission field in India, we deem it expedient to formulate the same in the following rules :

1. In general : The position of a lady missionary, placed in charge of work in connection with any of our circuits or stations, is the same as that of a second missionary or "junior preacher" to whom special work is assigned.

2. In particular : The general plan of work, such as establishing new schools, employing and dismissing head teachers, arranging terms of tuition, board, etc., and preparing a course of study, when these mat-

ters are not fixed by the Educational Committee, selecting classes of people among whom work may be more successfully carried on, arranging dispensaries and deciding the proportion of medical work to be given to natives and Europeans, Christians, and non-Christians, etc., all such *general plans* shall be arranged by the lady in charge of the special departments of work, after free consultation with the Superintendent or Presiding Elder.

3. The lady missionary in charge of work has full liberty to do the work assigned her in her own way, and to carry out the internal arrangement of her department in the manner which she deems best adapted to secure success.

4. The relation of the Superintendent or Presiding Elder to the work under the charge of a lady is the same as it would be were it under the charge of a member of Conference—he having a general advisory supervision, auditing the accounts, (when not done by trustees), making suggestions, etc., exactly as with all the other work of his district.

5. Lady missionaries in charge of work, and all missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, are appointed by the President of Conference, at the same time and in the same manner that the appointments of Conference are made. Should, however, a President of Conference at any time decline so to appoint, the Superintendent or Presiding Elder in Council will arrange the same.

6. All new buildings or expensive repairs or changes shall receive the sanction of Superintendent or Presiding Elder, even though no appropriations of money be asked.

7. A class of laborers are employed in our work, known as "assistants." In the employment or dismissal of these ladies, the consent of the Superintendent of Mission or of the Presiding Elder must be secured. They may be transferred by the Presiding Elder, with the consent of the lady in charge of the department in which they are employed. When these lady assistants, being members of our church, by several years of faithful service, have come to be received as belonging permanently to our body of laborers, they may, on the recommendation of the Woman's Society, when such exists, or by quarterly Conference, be formally recognized by Conference, and appointed the same as women missionaries are.

8. In case of a transfer of a woman missionary or an "assistant" from one Conference or charge to another, a written permission shall be secured, signed by Superintendent or Presiding Elder in whose jurisdiction the person may be employed, when, according to the condition in Rule 7, the engagement may be completed.

OFFICIAL RELATIONS OF LADY MISSIONARIES.

1. Definition of relations of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, as given by the Bishops in May, 1881.

"To the ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society:

"To your questions we respectfully reply as follows:

"1st. We take the liberty to refer you to our action bearing date November 22, 1877, a copy of which is as follows:

" 'TEACHERS IN MISSION SCHOOLS.'

"1. In the judgment of the Bishops it is not within the right of the Superintendent of a mission to remove lay teachers from the schools to which they have been appointed, nor to interfere authoritatively with the internal arrangements of the schools, unless such right be expressly granted by the missionary authorities at New York.

"2. In case of difference between appointee and the Mission (including the Superintendent), which cannot be adjusted between the parties without unreasonable delay, we recommend that such difference, with the papers and facts, be referred by the parties to the Bishop in charge for final decision.

"3. It is our judgment that the missionaries sent by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society should be permitted to be present at the meetings of the Mission and to speak on all matters relating to their work.

Most respectfully and sincerely,

"WILLIAM L. HARRIS."

REQUIREMENTS OF MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

1. Each Branch shall appoint a standing committee of five, of which the Branch Corresponding Secretary shall be chairman, who shall investigate the case of any candidate within the limits of the Branch, and shall supply such candidate with blank for health certificate and constitutional questions, to be filled out and answered by her; and when practicable, a personal interview shall be had with the woman by two or more of the committee before her papers are forwarded to the Reference Committee or the committee appointed at the General Executive meeting. The Corresponding Secretary of the Branch presenting missionary candidates shall have a personal interview with each woman presented before her final appointment to a foreign field.

2. A missionary candidate must believe herself Divinely called to the work of a foreign missionary, and assert her belief that she is actuated only by a desire to act in accordance with God's will.

3. She must indicate her ability to work in a foreign field by Christian usefulness at home.

4. She must declare her intention to make foreign missionary work the service of her effective years, and agree to give at least five years of continuous service, as a single woman, to the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, unless prevented by ill-health ; this is not to be understood in the sense that the obligation to remain in the field ceases at five years, but that her obligation to refund passage and outfit money is binding for that length of time ; she must also assert her willingness to labor in any field, though her preference is always to be taken into account.

5. The age of a candidate must not be less than twenty-five years. A thorough intellectual training, with a facility in acquiring languages, and a remarkable ability for Christian work, may be considered as a sufficient reason for deviation from this rule.

6. Financial and executive ability, and power of adaptation to circumstances, are essential qualifications.

7. She must present a certificate of health from a competent physician, and give satisfactory answers to the medical questions authorized by the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

8. Every missionary candidate is requested to sign the following contract :

"I, ———, agree to conform to the above requirements and conditions while in the employ of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and failing in this, to refund the amount of outfit and passage money."

9. After the adoption of a missionary candidate, she shall be regarded as under the direction of the General Executive Committee, and of the Committee of Reference, in the interim of the sessions of that committee.

10. The case of any accepted candidate not sent out during the year, shall be brought before the General Executive Committee at its next session.

11. The application of a missionary candidate with corresponding testimonials shall cover the following particulars : Health, adaptability to people and circumstances, executive ability, intellectual qualities and culture, religious experience and usefulness, and general fitness for the work.

First. Health, attested by a properly certified health certificate.

Second. Personal religious experience. Belief in the doctrines and identification with the membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, experience and efficiency in Christian work.

Conviction and call to missionary work, and the intention to give to it the service of her life.

Third. Testimonials are further necessary as to grade of scholarship, whether it includes the study of Latin or any modern language, with facility in its acquirement; knowledge of music, vocal or instrumental. Diploma of scholarship.

Certificate of experience and success in teaching.

Fourth. Testimonials are also required as to executive ability, adaptability to people and circumstances, and whatever personal qualities are necessary for greatest efficiency in Christian work.

VIII.—PUBLICATIONS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. The periodicals of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be known as the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, *Children's Missionary Friend*, *Der Frauen-Mission-Freund*, and *The Study*.

2. The editors and publisher shall be elected annually by the General Executive Committee.

3. In the interim of the sessions of the General Executive Committee, the management of these papers shall be under the control of the Publication committee provided by the Constitution.

4. The proceedings of the General Executive Committee shall be reported in the December number of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, excluding appropriations and unimportant details.

5. The minutes of the General Executive Committee shall be incorporated in the Annual Report.

6. The traveling expenses of the editors of *Woman's Missionary Friend*, *Children's Missionary Friend*, *Frauen-Mission-Freund*, and publisher of these papers, and members of the Literature Committee, to and from the sessions of the General Executive Committee, shall be paid from the funds of these publications.

7. In no case shall the amount used in publishing interests, or for any other demands, infringe upon a capital of \$5,000, to be retained in the treasury of the Society's publications.

8. There shall be a Literature Committee of three, whose duty it shall be to provide all the literature of the Society except the periodicals and General Executive Committee report.

9. There shall be a Constitutional Publication Committee, consisting of the Corresponding Secretary of each Branch, to take charge of the missionary periodicals of the Society and to arrange for the publication of an annual report of the work of the Society. This committee shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

10. These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting of the General Executive Committee by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

IX.—ZENANA PAPER.

1. The Constitutional Publication Committee shall take charge of the funds raised for the endowment of the Zenana Paper and control of their investment and expenditure, and have the general supervision of the interests of the paper.

2. The Corresponding Secretary of each Branch shall have the control of the investment of the funds raised for the support of the Zenana Paper within the bounds of her Branch, with the approval of the Constitutional Publication Committee ; the interest on investments to be paid semi-annually to the Treasurer of the Zenana Paper.

3. The Woman's Conference in India shall nominate a committee consisting of five persons, three ladies and two gentlemen, one of whom shall be the publisher, to supervise the interests of the paper and arrange with the Press Committee for editing and publishing the Zenana Paper in the various languages and dialects required ; these nominations to be subject to the approval of the Constitutional Publication Committee in America.

4. The Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in India shall send an Annual Report of the Zenana Paper to the Chairman of the Constitutional Publication Committee, with the amount of circulation and items of interest, in time to be presented to the Annual Meeting of the General Executive Committee in America.

5. The Treasurer in India of the funds of the Zenana Paper shall furnish the Constitutional Publication Committee an Annual Report of the receipts and expenditures of said paper in time to be presented to the General Executive Committee meeting in America.

6. A report of the Zenana Paper shall be published in the Annual Report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

7. The Treasurer of the Zenana Paper funds in America shall send the interest on the investments direct to the Treasurer of the Zenana Paper in India, only upon order of the Chairman of the Constitutional Committee.

Questions to Missionary Applicants.

1. Do you trust that you are inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost to take upon you the work of a foreign missionary?
2. Do you desire and intend to make this your life work, and are you willing to labor in any field?
3. Have you an experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ, our Lord?
4. Have you an earnest desire to win souls to Christ, and how has this desire been manifest in the past?
5. Do you believe in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as set forth in Section 2 of the Discipline?
6. Have you a thorough English education?
7. Have you studied Latin or any modern language; what proficiency have you made, and do you readily acquire the same?
8. In what schools have you taught and with what success?
9. Have you a knowledge of music, either vocal or instrumental?
10. What is the condition of your health?
11. Have you ever been married; if so, is your husband living?
12. Will you answer by *testimonials* to each of these questions?

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

STATE OF NEW YORK,
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

We, the undersigned, Caroline R. Wright, Anna A. Harris, Sarah K. Cornell and Harriet B. Skidmore, of the City of New York, and Susan A. Sayre, of the City of Brooklyn, being all citizens of the United States of America, and citizens of the State of New York, do hereby, pursuant to, and in conformity with the Act of the Legislature of the State of New York passed on April 12th, 1848, entitled, "An Act for the incorporation of benevolent, charitable and missionary societies;" and the several Acts of the said Legislature amendatory thereof, associate ourselves together and form a body politic and corporate, under the name and style of "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," which we certify is the name or title by which said Society shall be known in law. And we do hereby further certify that the particular business and object of said Society is to engage and unite the efforts of Christian women in sending female missionaries to women in of foreign mission fields of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in supporting them and native Christian teachers and Bible readers in those fields.

That the number of managers to manage the business and affairs of said Society shall be seventeen, and that the names of such managers of said Society, for the first year of its existence, are: Lucy A. Alderman, Sarah L. Keen, Ellen T. Cowen, Sarah E. Craudon, Mary C. Nind, Elizabeth K. Stanley, Harriet M. Shattuck, Eliza B. Stevens, Caroline R. Wright, Harriet B. Skidmore, Josephine D. Easter, Annie R. Gracey, Mary L. Denner, Sarah K. Cornell, Annie A. Harris, Ordellia M. Hillman and Sarah A. Sayre.

That the place of business or principal office of said Society shall be in the City and County of New York, in the State of New York.

Witness our hand and seals this 20th day of December, A. D., 1884.

CAROLINE R. WRIGHT,	[SEAL]
ANNA A. HARRIS,	"
HARRIET B. SKIDMORE,	"
SUSAN A. SAYRE,	"
SARAH K. CORNELL,	"

STATE OF NEW YORK,
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

On the 20th day of December, 1884, before me personally came and appeared Caroline R. Wright, Anna A. Harris, Harriet B. Skidmore and Sarah K. Cornell, to me known, and to me personally known to be the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing certificate, and they severally duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

[NOTARY'S SEAL.]

ANDREW LEMON,

Notary Public, (58)

New York County.

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF KINGS, } ss.
CITY OF BROOKLYN,

On the 22nd day of December, A. D., 1884, before me came Susan A. Sayre, to me known, and known to me to be one of the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing certificate, and duly acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

[NOTARY'S SEAL.]

F. G. MINTRAM,

Notary Public for King's County.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
COUNTY OF KINGS, } ss.

I, Rodney Thursby, Clerk of the County of Kings and Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, in and for said county (said court being a Court of Records) DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that F. G. Mintram, whose name is subscribed to the Certificate of Proof, or acknowledgment of the annexed instrument and thereon written, was at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment, a Notary Public of the State of New York, in and for the said County of Kings, dwelling in said County, commissioned and sworn, and duly authorized to take the same. And, further, that I am well acquainted with the handwriting of such Notary, and verily believe the signature to the said Certificate is genuine, and that said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of the State of New York.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said County and Court, this 24th day of December, 1834.

[SEAL]

RODNEY THURSBY, *Clerk.*

[Endorsed.]

THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST
EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Certificate of Incorporation, December 27, 1834.

I, the undersigned, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, for the first Judicial District, do hereby approve the within certificate, and do consent that the same be filed pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled, "An Act for the incorporation of benevolent, charitable, scientific and missionary societies," passed April 12th, 1848, and the several Acts extending and amending said Act. Dated New York, Dec. 26, 1834.

ABM. R. LAWRENCE, *J. S. C.*

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } ss.

I, James A. Flack, Clerk of the said City and County, and Clerk of the Supreme Court of said State for said County, do certify that I have compared the preceding with the original Certificate of Incorporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of such original. Endorsed, filed and recorded, Dec. 27th, 1834, 1 hour, 25 minutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed my official seal, this 12th day of November, 1838.

[SEAL]

JAMES A. FLACK, *Clerk.*

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE CORPORATION, 1896-7.

HARRIET B. SKIDMORE,
SUSAN A. SAYRE,
ELLA J. KNOWLES,
ORDELIA M. HILLMAN,
HELEN V. EMANS.

SARAH K. CORNELL,
ETHEL F. BALDWIN,
ANNIE R. GRACEY,
JULIA L. MCGREW,
MARY H. BIDWELL,

ANNA A. HARRIS.

FORMS FOR WILL AND DEVISE.

Special attention is called to the following form of bequest and Devise required by the incorporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I hereby give and bequeath to the "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," incorporated under the laws of the State of New York Dollars to be paid to the Treasurer of said Society, whose receipt shall be sufficient acquittance to my executors therefor.

FORM OF DEVISE OF REAL ESTATE.

I hereby give and devise to the "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," (describe land, etc., intended to be given to the Society) and to their successors and assigns forever.

NOTE.—Prompt notice of all bequests and devises should be given to the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch within which the donor resides.

Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, 230 West 59th street, New York, is the Treasurer of the WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, with power to sign release to executors, through whom the Society may receive bequests, and to perform such other acts as are required by the Act of incorporation, and which cannot be legally executed by Branch Treasurers.

The following resolution was adopted at the General Executive Committee at Springfield, Mass., and ordered published in the Annual Report:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New York, be authorized to accept and receive all gifts and legacies to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, or to any Branch thereof, and to give all suitable receipts, releases and acquittances therefor, under the corporate seal, or otherwise; and also, by the direction of a majority of the members of the Reference Committee given either at a meeting of said Committee, or separately by the individuals comprising the same, to execute under the corporate seal, acknowledge and deliver conveyances or releases of any land or property owned, held or claimed by the said Society or any other instrument necessary or useful for the promotion of the purposes of said Society:

LUCY A. ALDERMAN,
HARRIET B. SKIDMORE,
SARAH L. KEEN,
ELIZA P. STEVENS,
ELLEN T. COWEN,

SARAH E. CRANDON,
MARY S. HUSTON,
CHARLOTTE S. WINCHELL,
MATILDA WATSON,
ELIZABETH M. CROW.

LIST OF REAL ESTATE

Belonging to Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, M. E. Church.

NORTH INDIA CONFERENCE.

Almorah, Sanitarium	\$ 4,000 00
Budoan,	5,650 00
Bareilly Hospital, Orphanage, Home, etc	25,000 00
Bhot.....	1,000 00
Bijnour,	3,000 00
Hardui	300 00
Gonda,	2,500 00
Lucknow, College, Home, etc.	56,600 00
Moradabad,	9,500 00
Naini Tal, Boarding School, etc.	26,600 00
Paurl,	8,250 00
Pithoragarh, Angeline Newman Home	4,000 00
Seetapore,	3,400 00
Shahjahanpore Bidwell Mem- orial	6,150 00
Total	\$155,950 00

NORTHWEST INDIA.

Agra	\$ 2,600 00
Aligarh, Louisa Soules School,	12,700 00
Ajmere	4,450 00
Allahabad	6,660 00
Brindaban, Calvin Home.....	4,000 00
Cawnpore,	32,000 00
Meerut	10,000 00
Muttra	13,300 00
Total	\$85,710 00

SOUTH INDIA.

Hyderabad,	\$10,000 00
Jubbulpore	5,500 00
Kolar, William Gamble, Dea- coness Home	5,000 00
Madras, Harriet Bond Skid- more Memorial School and Home	20,000 00
Sironcha, Mary J. Clark Me- morial	4,500 00
Total	\$45,000 00

BOMBAY CONFERENCE.

Bombay Boarding School and Home	\$25,000 00
Baroda Orphanage	2,000 00
Khandwa	500 00
Total	\$27,500 00

BENGAL-BURMA CONFERENCE.

Asansol	\$1,660 00
Mozaffarpore	500 00
Rangoon School and Home	15,000 00
Thandaug	5,000 00
Total	\$22,160 00

MALAYSIA.

Singapore	\$ 8,000 00
Total, India and Malaysia	\$344,320 00

NORTH CHINA.

Peking, Home and School	\$14,000 00
" Hospital	5,000 00
Tientsin, Hospital	14,000 00
" Home and School	5,000 00
Tsun Hua, Hospital	3,000 00
" Home and School	5,000 00
Total	\$46,000 00

CENTRAL CHINA.

Chinkiang, Home and Hospital	\$10,000 00
Nanking, Home and School	5,500 00
Niu Kiang	8,500 00
Elizabeth S. Danforth Hospital	4,000 00
Total	\$28,000 00

FOOCHOW.

Girl's Boarding School and Residence	\$14,000 00
Woman's School and Residence	4,500 00
Two Hospitals and Residence	11,100 00
Mary E. Crook Memorial Orphanage	3,100 00
Hok Chiang Girls' School	4,500 00
Kucheng Girls' School	3,950 00
Kucheng Woman's Training School, etc	2,250 00
Kucheng Woman's and Girls' School Compound	722 00
Total	\$44,122 00

HING HUA CONFERENCE.

Hing Hua School and Home	\$3,000 00
Sieng lu School and Home	2,000 00
Total	\$5,000 00

WEST CHINA.

Chung King Home	\$ 4,000 00
Chung King School Building	2,000 00
Chung King, William A. Gam- ble Hospital	5,000 00
Total	\$11,000 00
Total for China	\$134,122 00

KOREA.

Seoul Home and School	\$10,000 00
" Hospital	2,000 00
Baldwin Chapel	500 00
East Gate	2,000 00
Peng Yang	500 00
Total for Korea	\$15,000 00

NORTH AND CENTRAL JAPAN.

Hakodate, School Building and Home	\$13,500 00
Tokyo, Aoyama	20,000 00
Tsukiji	4,000 00
Industrial School ..	3,000 00
Asakusa	300 00
Sendai	3,000 00
Yokohama	10,000 00
Yamabuchi	1,000 00
Nagoya	2,600 00
Total	\$57,400 00

SOUTHERN JAPAN.

Nagasaki Home and School...	\$27,000 00
Fukuoka Home and School ...	10,300 00
Koga Orphanage.....	2,500 00
Total	\$39,800 00
Total for Japan.....	97,200 00

MEXICO.

Mexico City, School, etc.....	\$35,000 00
Pachuca.....	30,000 00
Puebla	26,000 00

Guanajuato..... \$ 3,000 00

Total..... \$94,000 00

SOUTH AMERICA.

Montevideo, School and Home.. \$21,000 00

Rosario 10,000 00 |

Total for South America.. \$31,000 00

BULGARIA.

Loftcha, Home and School... \$ 6,500 00

ITALY.

Rome, Orphanage and School.. \$15,000 00

SUMMARY.

India and Malaysia	\$344,320 00
China.....	134,122 00
Korea.....	15,000 00
Japan.....	97,200 00
Mexico	94,000 00
South America.....	31,000 00
Bulgaria.....	6,500 00
Italy.....	15,000 00
Total.....	\$737,142 00

Rules and Pronunciation.

PRONUNCIATION OF INDIAN NAMES FURNISHED BY MISS THOBURN.

I find it difficult to give the pronunciation of Indian names in English, as requested, because some of the sounds cannot well be indicated by the spelling. A few rules may be helpful, not only in pronouncing the names already given, but those that may occur in letters and reports hereafter.

A has two sounds, a short like u in tub, and a long, as in far.

E has the continental sound, like the long e in there.

I is short as in sit, and long when accented, as i in machine.

O is always long as in no.

U short as in full, ù long as in rule.

Ai as i in mice.

Au as ou in our.

The syllable containing the long vowels is always accented. If there are no long vowels in a word, or if all are long, the syllables have equal quality.

There is some difficulty in applying these rules, because the long vowel is not often printed with the accent in our reports, and so cannot be distinguished from the short, and because some names are spelled in English and some in Roman-Urdu.

The stations mentioned in our Indian Mission report are pronounced, as nearly as they can be spelled, as follows:

Kamá on	Kamáwan	Badá on	Badown
Naini Tal	Nynee Táll	Bilsí	Bilsee
Bhábar	Bhaw-bar	Kakraulí	Kukroulee
Dwára Háth	Dwara Haut	Ghotá	Ghota
Garhwál	Gurhwál	Bissoulí	Bissoulee
Srinagar	Sree-nuggur	Saiswán	Sicewan
Pithoragarh	Pithora Gurh	Ujainí	Ujiney
Rohilcund	Rohilcund	Data Ganj	Data Gugje
Bijnúr	Bijnour	Oudh	Ou as in Our
Morádabád	Morad'abad'	Laknau	Lucknow
Chandousí	Chundowseé	Kánpur	Cawnpoor
Amroha	Umroha	Ráí Barelí	Roy Barailly
Sambbal	Sumbhal	Barabankí	Bara-Bunkee
Barelí	Barailly	Sitápúr	Seetapoor
Philibít	Philibeet	Hardú'í	Hur-doo-dee
Aunla	Ounla	Gonda	Goanda
Fathganj	Futhagunje	Nawábganj.	Nowáb-gunje
Kbera Bajhera	Khaira Bajhaira	Baraich	Baraich
Sháhjaháupúr	Shah'-jehan'-poor		

RULES FOR PRONOUNCING WORDS IN THE FOOCHOW DIALECT, FURNISHED BY
MRS. DR. BALDWIN.

a has the sound of a in far.
á " " " " a in fat.
e " " " " a in play.
è " " " " e in met.
i " " " " i in machine.
í " " " " i in pin.
o " " " " o in bone.

ó has the sound of aw.
u " " " " oo in fool.
ŕ has a guttural sound, like oe in Goethe.
ü has the sound of the French u in l'une.
au has the sound of ow in cow.
ai " " " " i in kind.

Hok-Chiang Hoke-Cheang
Kucheng Koo-cheng
Tiong-lók Teong-lock
Hú Pá Mi Hú Paw Me
Li Yu Mi Lee You Me

Sia Sek-ong Sea-ah Sake ong
Li Chá Mi Lee Chá Me
Kiu-Kiang Kew Keang
Wong Ting Ai Wong Ting Eye

It is almost invariably correct to accent on the last syllable of the name of place.

JAPAN.

Nagasaki Nang-a-sá'kee
Tsukiji* Skee-gee
Tsurunga Suro-ong'-gü
Shikoku She-ko-ku

Kiushiu Qú-shoo
Liu Kiu Loo-choo
Yezo Yes'so
Dai Dye

Kawatsei Sui (Quassui) Jo Gokke. Name of Nagasaki School.

**"Ts" has German "Z" sound.

Fu-Ku-o-ka.

PRONUNCIATION OF SPANISH NAMES FURNISHED BY MRS. REV. D. KEMBLE.

Puebla Pwablä
Leon Layon
Miraflores Mee-rahflór-es
Queretaro Ker é tar-o
Real Rá-íl
Del Monte Del Món-ta
Ayapango Ay a pán go
Guanajuato G wan-a-hwáto

Rosario Ro-sar-io
Montevideo Monta vid-a-o
Buenos Ayres Bwa-nos-ayres
Orizaba Ori-za-va
Pachuca Pa-choo-ka
Silao Se la o
San Juan San-hwan

Seoul, the capital of Korea, is pronounced as if it were spelled Say-ole.

OFFICIAL MINUTES.

GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, THIRTY-FIRST SESSION.

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1900.

The General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened for its thirty-first annual session in Trinity Church, Worcester, Mass., Wednesday morning, Oct. 24, at nine o'clock.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. C. D. Foss. The first hymn was announced, "O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing," after the singing of which, Mrs. Foss read selections from the fifty-second and fifty-fourth chapters of Isaiah.

Mrs. Alderman, Secretary of the New England Branch, was called upon and led in earnest prayer. The Sixth Hymn, "Come, Thou Almighty King," was sung, which concluded the opening devotional exercises.

Mrs. Dr. Butler, formerly missionary in India and Mexico, and one of the founders of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, gave an address of welcome, to which a response was made by Mrs. Huston, Secretary of the Des Moines Branch.

The seating of the delegates at their various tables was next in order, after which the delegates responded to roll-call as follows :

New England Branch : Mrs. L. A. Alderman, Mrs. S. F. Wagner, Mrs. E. S. Ferry.

New York Branch : Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, Mrs. H. M. Hartranft, Mrs. G. C. Morehouse.

Philadelphia Branch : Mrs. S. L. Keen, Mrs. L. L. Brenniser, Miss C. J. Carnahan.

Baltimore Branch : Mrs. E. B. Stevens, Mrs. C. J. Somers, Mrs. C. M. Billingsley.

Cincinnati Branch : Mrs. B. R. Cowen, Mrs. E. T. Brewster, Mrs. S. P. Wilson.

Northwestern Branch: Mrs. F. P. Crandon, Mrs. Abel Bliss, Mrs. I. H. Irish.

Des Moines Branch: Mrs. M. S. Huston, Miss E. Pearson, Mrs. Ella Pichereau.

Minneapolis Branch: Mrs. C. S. Winchell, Mrs. M. C. Landis, Miss Sarah E. Mason.

Topeka Branch: Miss M. Watson, Mrs. Anna B. Sweet, Mrs. Jennie Porter.

Pacific Branch: Mrs. Charlotte O. Neal, Mrs. F. J. Carroll, *Mrs. D. C. Cook.

Columbia River Branch: Mrs. A. N. Fisher, *Mrs. L. H. Miller, *Miss Anna Farrell.

Superintendent of German Work: Mrs. P. H. Achard.

The following committees were announced:

On Finance: Mrs. Alderman, Mrs. Skidmore, Mrs. Keen, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Cowen, Mrs. Crandon, Mrs. Huston, Mrs. Winchell, Miss Watson, Mrs. O'Neal, and Mrs. Fisher.

On Missionary Candidates: Mrs. E. S. Ferry, Mrs. H. M. Hartranft, Mrs. L. L. Brenniser, Mrs. C. M. Billingsley, Mrs. S. P. Wilson, Mrs. I. H. Irish, Mrs. Ella Pichereau, Miss Sarah E. Mason, Mrs. Jennie Porter, Mrs. F. J. Carroll, Miss Anna Farrell.

Publication Committee: Mrs. S. F. Wagner, Mrs. G. C. Morehouse, Miss C. J. Carnahan, Mrs. C. G. Somers, Mrs. E. T. Brewster, Mrs. Abel Bliss, Miss E. Pearson, Mrs. M. C. Landis, Mrs. Anna B. Sweet, Mrs. L. H. Miller.

Committee on By-Laws.—Committee of the whole.

The following privileges were asked and granted, viz.: That Miss Grace Stephens and Sooboonagam Ammal of Madras, India, be seated with the Baltimore Branch; Misses Young, Croucher and Todd of China with the New England Branch; Misses Loyd and Purdy of Mexico, Mrs. Hodge-Worrall of India, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Darlington with the Philadelphia Branch; Miss Stahl, of India, Mrs. Pooley and Mrs. Nind with the Northwestern Branch; Miss Watson, Miss Shibata and Miss Yoshizawa of Japan with the Topeka Branch; Mrs. Hillman, Mrs. Cornell, Dr. Carleton of China, Dr. Cutler of Korea, and Miss Linam of China, with the New York Branch; Misses Galloway, Meyer and Allen of China, Misses Lawson and Wood of India, and Miss Griffiths of Japan, with the Des Moines Branch; and Dr. Gertrude Taft with the Pacific Branch.

Mrs. J. H. Knowles of the New York Branch was appointed assistant secretary.

*Absent.

Mrs. Stevens moved that a Committee on Resolutions be appointed by the chair, which motion prevailed, the announcement of the Committee to be made later.

The following were appointed to report the proceedings of the Committee to the various church papers, viz.: For the *Midland Christian Advocate*, Mrs. Mary C. Nind; *Pacific Advocate*, Mrs. J. H. Knowles; *Zion's Herald*, Miss C. Butler; *California Advocate*, Mrs. Jennie Caldwell; *Western Christian Advocate*, Mrs. E. T. Brewster; *Baltimore Methodist*, Mrs. C. G. Somers; *Philadelphia Methodist* and *Pittsburg Advocate*, Mrs. S. P. Darlington; *Northwestern Christian Advocate*, Mrs. R. H. Pooley; *Central Christian Advocate*, Miss E. Pearson; *New York Christian Advocate*, Mrs. J. H. Knowles; *Northern Christian Advocate*, Mrs. G. C. Morehouse.

The motion prevailed to take up the reports of the Home Work. It was also moved and carried that the treasurer's report follow the Home reports.

The report of the New England Branch was presented by Mrs. Alderman; New York Branch, by Mrs. Skidmore; Philadelphia Branch, by Mrs. Keen; Baltimore Branch, by Mrs. Stevens; Cincinnati Branch, by Mrs. Cowen; Northwestern Branch, by Mrs. Crandon; Des Moines Branch, by Mrs. Huston; Minneapolis Branch, by Mrs. Winchell, and Topeka Branch by Miss Watson.

As the time for closing had arrived, Mrs. Fisher moved an extension of time to hear the remaining reports. Carried.

The report of the Pacific Branch was given by Mrs. O'Neal; Columbia River Branch, by Mrs. Fisher; and a report of the German work by Mrs. Achard.

The reports of the treasurers presented show the following amount of money received from October 1, 1899, to October 1, 1900.

New England Branch,	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 33,213.46
New York	"	-	-	-	-	65,003.06
Philadelphia	"	-	-	-	-	43,895.09
Baltimore	"	-	-	-	-	14,900.47
Cincinnati	"	-	-	-	-	52,744.71
Northwestern	"	-	-	-	-	108,428.13
Des Moines	"	-	-	-	-	40,588.00
Minneapolis	"	-	-	-	-	14,784.98
Topeka	"	-	-	-	-	19,301.00
Pacific	"	-	-	-	-	16,638.00
Columbia River	"	-	-	-	-	5,034.43
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Amount raised in 1899,	-	-	-	-	-	\$414,531.33
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Increase in 1900,	-	-	-	-	-	\$54,192.70

The following missionaries were presented to the Committee: From Japan, Miss Watson, Miss Shibata, music teacher at girls' school, Tokyo, and Miss Yoshizawa, graduate of the Tokyo school, and Miss Griffiths. From China, Miss Young, Miss Linam, Dr. Carleton, Miss Todd, Dr. Taft, Miss Croucher, and Li Bi Cu, a Chinese student in Folts Institute. From India, Miss Grace Stephens, Sooboonagam Aimal, and Miss Stahl. From Korea, Dr. Cutler. From Mexico, Miss Loyd. From South America, Miss Le Huray, Miss Wood, Rev. Dr. Julius Smith of the General Board from Burma. Announcements were made by Mrs. Harrison, after which a motion to adjourn prevailed; the Doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by Rev. Julius Smith of Burma.

SECOND DAY'S PROCÉEDINGS,

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25.

The General Executive Committee convened Thursday morning at 9 o'clock, with the president in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates from the New York Branch, Mrs. Hartranft and Mrs. Morehouse. The Secretary called the roll, all but four of the delegates responding, two from the Columbia River and two from the Pacific Branches.

The minutes of Wednesday's session were read and approved.

The Committee on Resolutions was announced by the chairman as follows: Mrs. Bliss of the Northwestern Branch, Miss Mason of the Minneapolis and Mrs. Pichereau of the Des Moines Branch. A report of the Reference Committee was presented by the Secretary, Mrs. Cowen.

During the year Miss Anna P. Atkinson was reappointed and sent out to Japan by the Baltimore Branch. Miss Louise T. Brouse was accepted and sent out to India by the Northwestern Branch. Miss Ida Bohannon was accepted and sent to Mexico by the Des Moines Branch. Miss Luella Rigby was accepted and sent to Burma by the Des Moines Branch. Miss Dora Davis was accepted and sent to Bulgaria by the Northwestern Branch. Miss Charlotte T. Holman was accepted and sent to Ajmere, India, by the Pacific Branch. Miss Florence Plumb was accepted and appointed to Foochow, China, to be sent by the New York Branch. Miss Ida Ellis was accepted and sent to Penang by the Minneapolis Branch. Miss Grace Stockwell of Des Moines Branch was accepted and sent to Rangoon, Burma. Miss Laura E. Brezelle was accepted and sent by the

Northwestern Branch to Rome, Italy. Miss Ethel M. Estey was accepted to be sent by the New York Branch to Korea.

The special action rendered necessary by the departure of Misses Wisner and Cody, Mrs. Cornelia Moots and Dr. Annie Norton for Manila, and of Mrs. Mary Meek and Miss Luella Anderson to Kuala Lumpur was approved.

Mrs. Keen was called upon for a report from the Constitutional Publication Committee, but stated that no business had been before the committee during the year. Mrs. Stevens moved that Mrs. Dr. Butler be invited to a seat on the platform. The motion was unanimously carried, and Mrs. Butler was conducted to a seat beside the president. Miss Walden was called on, and presented a report of the publishing interests of the Society. The report was accepted and referred to the Publication Committee. (See Report.)

Miss Hodgkins, editor, presented a report of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, and the report was accepted and referred to the Publication Committee. (See Report.)

Mrs. Scott, editor, presented a report of the *Children's Missionary Friend*, which report was also accepted and referred to the Publication Committee. (See Report.)

Mrs. Achard, editor of the *Frauen-Missions-Freund*, presented a report. The report was also accepted and referred to the Publication Committee. (See Report.)

Mrs. Keen, who had visited Denmark during the past season, told an interesting fact concerning the *Woman's Missionary Friend*. She said that but one copy of the paper was taken in Copenhagen, but every month it was translated into the Danish language and read at the Woman's Missionary meeting.

A report of the Zenana paper was given by Mrs. Keen, which was accepted and referred to the Committee on Publication. (See report.) The report of the Literature Committee was presented by the chairman, Mrs. Gracey, and referred to the Publication Committee. (See report.) Mrs. Gracey also presented a report of the literary work done in Japan under the supervision of Miss Baucus.

Mrs. Stevens moved that the communication of Miss Baucus be referred to the Committee on Resolutions. Mrs. Keen moved as an amendment that it go to the Publication Committee. The amendment was accepted and it was so referred.

Miss Walden referred to the help given by Miss Seaverns, assistant editor of *Zion's Herald*, in correcting proof of Calendar. Mrs. Keen moved, and the motion was carried, that the secretary write and express

to Miss Seaverns the thanks of the General Executive Committee for her generous services.

Miss Walden presented the treasurer's report of the Literature Committee, also of the German literature. These reports were also referred to the Committee on Publication. Miss Walden extended an invitation for the committee to visit the publication office in Boston.

The following persons were presented to the committee: Misses Lawson, Wood, Sellers, and English of India; Misses Allen, Meyer, and Galloway of China; Miss Purdy of Mexico; Mrs. Dr. Sites, Mrs. Ruth Marie Sites-Brown, Dr. and Mrs. Hopkins of Tsun Hua, China; Miss Cushman, Mrs. Rawlins of Baltimore; Mrs. Cornell of New York; Mrs. Wilson of Philadelphia, and Miss Holt of New England.

The following ministers were introduced: Rev. N. T. Whitaker of Chelsea, Rev. A. M. Osgood of Clinton, and Rev. E. P. Herrick of Leominster. Mrs. Julia F. Small, in charge of the literature tables, was also introduced.

Mrs. S. L. Nutter, secretary of the Program Committee, extended an invitation to a reception on Friday evening in Grace Church, to which all delegates, missionaries and visitors were invited. An invitation was extended to the convention to visit the State Mutual Building.

Miss Mary E. Holt made announcement that the delegates, officers and visitors to the convention were cordially invited to a reception to be given on Thursday afternoon, November 1, at 2:30, by the ladies of the Tremont Street Methodist church of Boston, where the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was organized.

Mrs. Winchell moved that the convention accept the invitation with thanks, which motion was unanimously carried. Miss Cushman made announcements concerning the literature, after which the doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by Rev. Dr. Hopkins of China.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26.

The General Executive Committee convened Friday morning, October 26, at 9 o'clock with the president in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates from the Pacific Branch.

At the close of the devotional exercises, the secretary called the roll and read the minutes of the previous day's session, which were

corrected and approved. A motion prevailed that the reports of Foreign work be taken up. Miss Watson moved that each report be limited to ten minutes, and that these reports be supplemented by a talk from a missionary from the field, and when there are several from a field the missionaries make a selection, and that ten minutes be the limit of the time. The motion prevailed.

Mrs. Cowen asked that Miss Sellers of India and Dr. Agnes Johnson be seated with the Cincinnati Branch delegates. The privilege was granted. The report of the work in South America was called for and presented by Mrs. Alderman, supplemented by Miss Elsie Wood of Peru. She referred to the oppression of the Romish church, the secret study of the Bible by many hungry for the truth, and the lives of usefulness of the girls going from our mission schools as teachers.

The report of work in Mexico was presented by Mrs. Keen, supplemented by Miss Loyd, who has been in Mexico for sixteen years. She spoke of the life, work and death of Mary Hastings of Pachuca, and gave a very encouraging report of the work throughout Mexico.

Mrs. Fisher was called upon to present a report of the Hing Hua Conference, China, but moved that, as her report would be published, her time be given to Miss Todd who had just returned from China, which motion was carried. Miss Todd read a cablegram just received from Foochow, announcing the return of missionaries to their work and asking to hasten other workers. This announcement was received with joy, and the committee united in singing the doxology. Miss Todd then gave a very graphic account of her work.

Mrs. Achard was called upon and gave a report of the work of the society in Germany and Switzerland.

The report of Bombay, India was given by Mrs. Huston and supplemented by Mrs. Dr. Hodge-Worrall of Baroda, who spoke of the famine and famine relief work as carried on by the missionaries.

The following missionaries were introduced to the committee : Miss Lily D. Green of India ; Rev. Rockwell Clancy and Mrs. Clancy, Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. Rudisill of India ; Miss M. H. Russell and Miss Danforth of Japan, and Miss Ogborn of Central China.

Miss Watson moved that the committee take up and consider the proposed changes in the Constitution, notice of such changes having been given one year ago. The motion carried. The changes in Articles 1, 2 and 4 were adopted. The proposed change in the fifth article, referring to the Literature secretary, called out a general discussion in which Mrs. Pooley, Mrs. Scott, Miss Walden and Mrs. Keen participated.

The time for adjournment having arrived, a motion prevailed to take it up for further consideration at the morning session on Saturday.

Rev. Dr. King, pastor of Trinity church, and Mrs Davis, wife of the pastor of the Tremont Street church, Boston, were introduced to the committee.

Mrs. Scott presented the literature, announcements were made, and the benediction pronounced by Rev. Dr. King.

FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27.

The General Executive Committee convened Saturday morning at the usual hour with the president in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the secretary and delegates of the Philadelphia Branch. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Mrs. Crandon asked that Dr. Lyon and Miss Ella C. Shaw of China be seated with the Northwestern delegation, and the request was granted.

The report of the work in Southern Japan was presented by Mrs. Cowen. As there was no missionary present from Southern Japan, Mrs. Cowen's time was extended to complete her report.

Mrs. O'Neal asked that Mrs. M. H. Russell of Japan be seated at the Pacific Branch table. The request was granted. The report of Korea was called for and presented by Mrs. Skidmore, which was supplemented by Dr. Cutler who had spent seven years in medical work in that country.

Mrs. Stevens reported the work in the Foochow Conference, and Miss Mabel Allen reported conditions not as unsettled throughout the district as had been stated in the press. She read extracts from a letter from Miss Trimble, speaking very hopefully. The missionaries were taking up the work which had been abandoned, which was giving the natives confidence.

Mrs. Crandon presented a report of Bulgaria and Italy. Miss Watson was called on to report for Northwest India. She asked that instead of presenting her report, Miss Lawson, one of the missionaries from that Conference, represent the work, and twenty minutes were given her.

Mrs. Keen moved that Rev. Mr. Clancy from the Northwest India Conference, who was present, be invited to speak for ten minutes. The motion carried and Mr. Clancy gave a vivid description of the India famine, and spoke of the devotion and heroism of the workers of the Society.

Miss Allen, acting president at Folts Institute, Herkimer, New York, was introduced and represented the institution. She was followed by Mrs. Brainard, one of the trustees.

The local committees were introduced, viz., Mrs. Harrison, general chairman; Mrs. Legg, *Hospitality*; Mrs. McKinstry, *Courtesy*; Mrs. Dutton, *Lunch*; Mrs. Miner, *Finance*; Mrs. King, wife of the pastor of the church *Committee on Public Services*, and Miss Carr, *Committee on the Press*. Mrs. Thurber spoke of the missionary exhibit.

The following missionaries were introduced: Miss Shaw and Dr. Lyon of China; Miss Swaney and sister, of South America; Dr. Christiane and Miss Harvey of India and Dr. Greenman of South America. There were also presented Miss Lunn of the Deaconess hospital of Boston, Misses Bennett and Burgess of the publishing office, and Mrs. Orange Judd.

Mrs. Nind spoke of the home for missionaries and missionaries' children at Newton, commending it as a quiet, restful place, under most excellent management and offering the highest educational advantages for the children of missionaries.

Mrs. Morehouse referred to Folts Institute, and recommended that some action be taken with reference to it, and Mrs. Keen moved to refer it to a special committee which was carried. Mrs. Morehouse moved that a committee of three be appointed, to prepare a resolution concerning it. Carried. Mrs. Pooley spoke of the literature and announcements were made. The committee adjourned with the benediction by Rev. Mr. Greenman of South America.

FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29.

The General Executive Committee convened at 9 o'clock with the president in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Swaney of South America. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Greenman of South America.

After calling the roll, the minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved. The first business was the announcement of the special committee on Folts Institute by the president, consisting of Mrs. Bliss, Mrs. Pichereau and Miss Mason.

Reports of foreign work were called for, and Mrs. Winchell repre-

sented the work in Malaysia, and, as there was no missionary present, Miss Hodgkins, who had recently visited Singapore and Penang, supplemented Mrs. Winchell's report with descriptions of the Deaconess' Home, the Orphanage and the new school building.

Mrs. Huston gave a report of the Society's work in Africa. Bishop Hartzell of Africa was introduced, and invited to speak. He referred first to the location of the two missionaries, Miss Zentmire and Miss Mekkelson at Quessua in the province of Angola, 350 miles from the coast, and for the opportunities of work, not only there, but throughout the continent of Africa. He spoke hopefully of Liberia, and of the openings in Madeira and Cape Verde Islands.

At the close of the Bishop's address the committee united in singing "He Ever Lives Above." Mrs. Keen presented the work of Central Japan, supplemented by Miss Watson of Tokyo.

The report of North China was given by Mrs. Alderman, after which Miss Croucher, who was among the besieged at Tientsin, was asked to supplement the report. She described the horrors of the siege and the faithfulness of the native Christians. She referred to the devotion of Mrs. Jewell to her pupils, and to the great work of Rev. F. D. Gamewell in connection with the siege. After the address of Miss Croucher a verse was sung, "And Are We Yet Alive," and Mrs. Knowles led in a prayer of thanksgiving for the preservation of the lives of our missionaries in North China.

Mrs. Keen moved that the committee express its thanks to Mr. Edward Cousins of Tientsin, who had extended protection and great kindness to our missionaries. Miss Croucher spoke of Mr. Cousins' generosity in giving up his home and providing for forty-one persons, missionaries, professors and officers, and also providing food and protection to over five hundred Chinese refugees. The motion of Mrs. Keen was carried by a rising vote. It was also moved that a vote of thanks be sent to Miss Richardson, at the head of the McTeyre school (Southern Methodist) in Shanghai, for her generosity in opening her home for our missionaries and pupils; also to the school of the American Board in Kobe, Japan, and the motion was carried by a rising vote.

The Committee on Missionary Candidates presented a partial report through the Secretary, Mrs. Billingsley. She reported that action had been taken on fifteen candidates, but the committee had only eight to present.

Martha J. Miller of Madrid, Iowa; Lucy M. Bumgardner of Denison, Iowa, both of the Des Moines Branch, were accepted. Anna Agnes Abbott of Chicago and Margaret D. Lewis, M. D., also of Chicago, Northwestern Branch, were accepted. Josephine Chowning of Aleda,

Ill., Northwestern Branch, was accepted with reference to the Branch for further action.

Ruth Evelyn Robinson of Calcutta, India, presented by the Baltimore Branch, was accepted with the understanding that, as far as the committee had power to appoint, she would be sent to Bombay.

Alma Evans of Livingston, Montana, presented by the Columbia River Branch, was accepted. The case of Hattie D. Jones of Luzerne, Minnesota, presented by the Minneapolis Branch, was referred to the committee for further action. Adaline Goetz of Fairmont, Minnesota, presented by the Minneapolis Branch, was accepted. This completed the partial report of the candidate committee.

The matter of selecting a place of meeting for the next session of the committee was considered. Invitations were received from the Philadelphia Branch through the secretary, Mrs. Keen, to hold it within the territory of that Branch; and from the Minneapolis Branch through the secretary, Mrs. Winchell, for the city of Minneapolis. Mrs. Skidmore moved, and it was seconded, that the invitation be accepted from the Philadelphia Branch. A standing vote was taken and Philadelphia was selected by a vote of seventeen to ten.

Mrs. Carroll, delegate from the Pacific Branch, extended a very cordial invitation for the committee to meet in the Pacific Branch in 1902, saying that the ministers, friends, and the Board of Trade of San Francisco heartily seconded the invitation. The invitation was received with thanks.

An invitation was extended from J. Stanley Hall to the committee to visit Clark University. The following persons were introduced to the committee: Mrs. Van Petten of Japan, Dr. Davis, pastor of Tremont Street church, Boston; Rev. Geo. B. Nind; Dr. Brady, pastor of Grace church, Worcester; Rev. Dr. Sanderson, superintendent of city missions in Worcester, and Rev. Dr. F. G. Noble of Chicago, president of the American Missionary Association.

Announcements were made, and the committee adjourned with the benediction by Rev. Dr. Noble.

SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS,

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30.

The General Executive Committee convened at 9 o'clock with the president in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the Baltimore Branch, assisted by Rev. G. B. Nind. The roll was called, the minutes read, corrected and approved.

The foreign reports were taken up and Mrs. O'Neal presented the report of the Bengal-Burma Conference. Miss Stahl from Darjeeling, India, supplemented the report, telling of the necessity and importance of our English schools and the many difficulties that the missionary in charge has in conducting these schools on a self-supporting basis. Miss Stahl suggested that the names of all assistant missionaries be published in the annual report. Miss Watson moved that the committee take up the consideration of the constitutional changes, notice of which had been given one year ago. The motion was carried.

The modification of Section I, Article V., was considered, where in fourth line it was proposed to insert, "Literature Secretary."

Mrs. Crandon moved that, as we had no parliamentary rules for the government of this body, five minutes be allowed to each speaker, and no one should speak twice until all had spoken who desired to speak. Carried.

Miss Walden was called upon and gave, from the records of the Literature Committee, a history of the proposed changes for the development of the literature. As the five minutes had expired before she finished, her time was extended.

Miss Hodgkins, editor of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, spoke in favor of the change, saying such action would be connecting link, tend to the unity of the work, and that a business plant that it took over four hundred thousand dollars annually to run should not stumble over the expenditure of a few hundred dollars; and, lastly, that we had come to a point where we needed an enlargement of our body in order to have a full and just representation of this body. Mrs. Pooley said she advocated the change because it would give the Branches a responsibility for the sale of literature, that they could arrange for beforehand, as other publishing houses did, by finding out, before issuing certain literature, how much would be taken, etc.

Miss Pearson thought more literature could be published, a greater interest would be developed by the Branches, and a better distribution could be had. Mrs. Irish thought the increased expense of the enlarged Literature Committee would be more than met by a larger and better distribution of the literature. Miss Mason thought we did not need revolution but evolution; and that we needed to have more literature in the West and free leaflets for distribution.

Mrs. Alderman reported that the action of the New England Branch had been in favor of the constitutional change. Mrs. Stevens and Mrs. Fisher both spoke of the extra expense in bringing a third delegate to the meeting, and on this point it was objectionable.

Mrs. Cowen stated that the Cincinnati Branch had expressed itself as

decidedly against the change; it was giving undue prominence to or putting the literature on a par with the rest of the work. Mrs. Billingsley thought if the secretary of literature, as recommended by the last Executive Committee, would work as the one had in the Baltimore Branch for the past year, the interests of the literature could be developed.

Mrs. Scott said that, living near the publisher, she saw something of her perplexities, and it was very desirable to bring her in touch with all the Branches; and she thought the plan presented might unify the interests of the Society, relieve the publisher, promote general growth and larger success. After further discussion, participated in by Mesdames Bliss, Winchell, Morehouse, Keen, Gracey, and Knowles, the question was called. Before the vote was taken attention was called to Article IX. of the Constitution "that the Constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the General Executive Committee by a two-thirds vote of each Branch delegation."

Mrs. Fisher stated that her Branch had voted against it, and as two of her delegates were absent she asked the privilege of three votes. There was an expression that such a course would be unparliamentary.

The motion was put to vote and lost.

The Secretary then called the Branches in order, with the following result:

						Aye.	No.	Not Voting.
New England	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	
New York	-	-	-	-	-		3	
Philadelphia	-	-	-	-	-		2	1
Baltimore	-	-	-	-	-		3	
Cincinnati	-	-	-	-	-		3	
Northwestern	-	-	-	-	-	2		1
Des Moines	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	
Minneapolis	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Topeka	-	-	-	-	-	3		
Pacific	-	-	-	-	-		2	
Columbia River	-	-	-	-	-		1	
German	-	-	-	-	-		1	

The vote stood—

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Changes in Article V., Section 2, adopted. Article VI. and VII. adopted. Mrs. Keen moved that the phrase on the quorum be not stricken out. A vote was taken and no change was made. Section 4 stricken out and the one on District Associations adopted.

After the adoption of these changes, Mrs. Crandon gave notice for a change of Article IX. in the Constitution. The article now reads, "This

Constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the General Executive Committee by a two-thirds vote of each Branch delegation."

Mrs. Crandon's notification changed to, "by two-thirds of those present." Mrs. Keen offered an amendment that the change be "three-fourths present and voting." The amendment was accepted.

Mrs. Crandon moved that a joint meeting of the Publication Committee and secretaries be held at four o'clock. Carried. The Literature Committee was invited to be present with the Committee. Mrs. Gracey read a notice from the Woman's Committee of the International Conference to be held in January in New York, asking that the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Methodist Episcopal Church, be represented by the executive officers and two delegates, who shall be appointed to attend the Conference.

Mrs. Morehouse presented a resolution in reference to the invitation to visit Clark University, which was referred to the Resolution Committee.

Dr. Edna G. Terry of Tsun Hua, China, who had just arrived from Peking, and of whose safety the Society was long in doubt, was introduced, and the Doxology was sung twice, expressing the gratitude at Dr. Terry's escape and safe arrival home.

Miss Dillingham of Auburndale, who edited the *Woman's Missionary Friend* in the editor's absence, was introduced. Mrs. Small made announcements concerning the literature, and Mrs. Knowles presented the children's paper. Miss Holt made an announcement about the reception in Boston, after which the Committee adjourned with the benediction by Rev. Dr. Brady.

SEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS, WEDNESDAY, OCT. 31.

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour with the president in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the Minneapolis Branch. The roll was called and the minutes read, corrected and approved.

Mrs. Huston asked that Miss Lawson of India be allowed to present a paper from the missionaries, which privilege was granted, and the following was read:

WHEREAS, We, your representatives on the foreign fields, recognize that the personal touch is necessary in order to awaken and continue interest in mission work; and,

WHEREAS, The present method of carrying on one form of special work, namely, the attachment of individual givers at home to an individual protege on the foreign field is often productive of many harmful influences and results, both upon the givers at home and the proteges in the foreign field, aside from the great labor involved in the necessary correspondence; and,

WHEREAS, This system is detrimental to the fundamental principles of our Christian service in that such gifts frequently prove to have been of a merely temporary and philanthropic character, instead of being offerings made to the Lord Christ and to the general advancement of His kingdom;

Therefore, resolved:

(1) That the missionary be made the living link between the givers at home and the foreign field, whose support shall be assigned to the various Conferences and Districts, and whose duty it shall be to write regularly to her constituency letters which may be multiplied and sent to each auxiliary.

(2) That Bible-readers, teachers and scholarships so far as possible be paid from the general treasury as apportioned to the different Branches and Conferences.

Miss Lawson spoke on the subject matter presented, and Miss Griffiths, of Japan, also in favor of the resolutions. Miss Griffiths said that special gifts to native scholars are often inappropriate, and the recipient, sometimes, entirely unworthy. Gifts should be sent direct to the missionaries, as they are the natural and best distributors, and urged the endowment of a fund for a person rather than a direct gift. Several took part in the discussion. Mrs. Huston moved that the paper be incorporated in the Annual Report, which motion was carried.

The secretary presented a document addressed to the president and secretaries from eight hundred Chinese of the Ming Chiang district, representing fourteen villages, beautifully written, accompanied with a translation, testifying to the efficiency of Dr. Carleton's work and urging that she be returned to Ming Chiang. The paper was referred to the Reference Committee.

The Committee on Missionary Candidates made a final report through the Secretary, Mrs. Billingsley. Each of the candidates was represented by the corresponding secretary of the Branch presenting her.

The case of Hattie D. Jones, which had been recommitted, was accepted and referred to her Branch for action. Lulu A. Miller of Little Falls, of the New York branch, and a student of Folts Institute, was accepted. Alice J. Hammond of Brooklyn, New York Branch, was accepted. Mary E. Banta of Brooklyn, New York Branch, was accepted, Mrs. Skidmore recommending that she spend a year at Folts Institute.

Mary R. Hillman of Newark, Ohio, Cincinnati Branch, was accepted. This completed the list of thirteen candidates, not fifteen as formerly reported, two having withdrawn. The report was then adopted as a whole.

The announcement was made that Dr. Foster, of Clifton Springs, N. Y., had presented through Miss Lily R. Gracey, the library of the Foster School to the Lucknow Women's College, India. Mrs. Keen moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Miss Gracey for the gift, which motion was carried by a rising vote.

The report of the Publication Committee was presented by the secretary, Mrs. Bliss.

The list of memberships and scholarships in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was corrected. Some changes were made (see list) and it was moved and carried that a foot-note of explanation be made concerning the variation of amounts for the support of Bible-readers.

The first six items of the report were adopted.

The seventh was presented recommending that \$50 be appropriated for publishing the annual report, and \$100 for editing the *Study*. This resolution was the occasion of a spirited debate. Mrs. Keen moved to amend by adding \$50 to each item, but the amendment was lost and the original motion carried.

The eighth item was adopted.

The ninth, concerning the increase of subscriptions to the WOMAN'S MISSIONARY FRIEND, was objected to by Mrs. Keen, who offered an amendment that the latter clause be stricken out or modified. The amendment was lost and the item adopted as presented.

The tenth and eleventh were adopted.

The twelfth, recommending the publication of 3,500 copies of the General Annual Report, was modified, and 3000 copies ordered.

The thirteenth and fourteenth items were adopted.

The fifteenth recommended that a Literature Committee of three be elected. It was moved to amend by stating duties of said committee. The amendment was accepted.

The sixteenth recommended that the territory of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society be divided into three sections; the Eastern, Middle and Western sections. Mrs. Keen moved to amend by adding that a committee of three be selected, one from each section. The amendment was accepted and the resolution as amended was adopted. Mrs. Crandon moved that the by-law giving instructions to the Literature Committee read, "Provide Literature of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society other than the periodicals, and Annual Report." This was carried.

The seventeenth resolution provided for the following committee: Mrs. A. H. Eaton, of the Baltimore branch; Mrs. R. H. Pooley, of the Northwestern branch; and Miss Pearson, of the Des Moines Branch. The resolution was adopted.

The eighteenth was a recommendation that the Literature Committee be elected for three years. Adopted. Miss Pearson was appointed to serve one year, Mrs. Eaton two years, and Mrs. Pooley three years.

Mrs. Crandon moved that \$100 be appropriated for the use of the Literature Committee for children's literature. Miss Watson offered as an amendment that the \$100 should be appropriated for all the literature. The amendment was carried and the resolution as amended adopted.

The remaining five articles of the report were adopted.

Mrs. Huston moved to accept the report as a whole, which motion prevailed. The resolutions were called for concerning the Interdenominational plan of studies which had been recommended by the Literature Committee. They were as follows:

Resolved, That in view of having already published a plan of study for 1901 for the Woman's Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, especially bearing upon the present vital issues in the foreign field, in order to make the plan available for our societies, it is our judgment that the interdenominational studies date from January, 1902, when we can with unanimity adopt it.

Resolved, That we request the Committee to print the schedule for the year immediately, so that all auxiliaries may have ample time to prepare a program in advance.

The resolutions were adopted.

The time was extended to complete the business. The Committee on Resolutions reported through Mrs. Bliss, which resolutions were adopted by a rising vote. (See Report.) Mrs. Stevens gave notice of a change in Constitution in Section 1, of Article 5, to insert "Literature Committee" after "corresponding secretary and two delegates." Mrs. Skidmore moved that all foreign reports which had not been read be referred to the secretary for printing in the Annual Report, and the motion prevailed.

Mrs. Pooley spoke on the duties of the new Literature Committee. The election of officers was taken up, and Mrs. Huston moved that Mrs. Knowles, the Assistant Secretary, be instructed to cast a ballot for Mrs. C. D. Foss for President, Mrs. J. T. Gracey for Secretary, and Mrs. H. B. Skidmore for Treasurer. The motion was carried and the ballot so cast.

The matter of selecting delegates to the Interdenominational Conference, to be held in the city of New York in January, 1901, was considered.

The committee asked that, in addition to the Executive Board, two delegates be elected. The appointment was made of Mrs. J. H. Knowles of New York and Mrs. S. A. Hill of Baltimore. Mrs. Crandon moved that all discussion be closed, and the resolutions of the Finance Committee be received. The report was presented by Mrs. Cowen and adopted. (See Report.) Mrs. Keen moved that the resolutions on literature at public assemblies be incorporated in the by-laws. Motion carried. It was moved and carried to insert in the Annual Report blank on Annuities.

The following resolution was presented by Mrs. Stevens and adopted:

WHEREAS, Through some misapprehension of the Society's instructions to foreign treasurers, there have been some exceptional instances of diversion of funds of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to mission work not legitimately ours, causing thereby confusion in our work, both abroad and at home; therefore,

Resolved, That we direct the attention of all our treasurers to No. 4, Article 4, of By-laws Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and call special attention to the first paragraph, viz., "The funds of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be entirely under the control of the General Executive Committee, to be used only for the purposes designated by that committee."

Resolved, That we require strict adherence to this by-law.

It was moved that in presenting the appropriations for the year the amount to be raised for Thank-Offering in each Branch be made separately. The motion prevailed. The appropriations for each Branch were announced by the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1900-1901.

New England Branch,	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 34,205
New York Branch,	-	-	-	-	-	64,000
Philadelphia Branch,	-	-	-	-	-	31,500
Baltimore Branch,	-	-	-	-	-	13,543
Cincinnati Branch,	-	-	-	-	-	46,172
Northwestern Branch,	-	-	-	-	-	90,000
Des Moines,	-	-	-	-	-	46,749
Minneapolis Branch,	-	-	-	-	-	14,000
Topeka,	-	-	-	-	-	19,300
Pacific Branch,	-	-	-	-	-	9,500
Columbia River Branch,	-	-	-	-	-	5,000
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	\$373,969

The Thank-Offering appropriated for the year is divided as follows. The three Branches without amounts have included the Thank-Offering in their general appropriations :

New England Branch, - - - - -	\$11,000
New York Branch, - - - - -	17,700
Philadelphia Branch, - - - - -	10,000
Baltimore Branch, - - - - -	1,200
Cincinnati Branch, - - - - -	15,000
Northwestern Branch, - - - - -	15,000
Des Moines Branch, - - - - -	
Minneapolis Branch, - - - - -	
Pacific Branch, - - - - -	
Columbia River Branch, - - - - -	1,525
Total, - - - - -	<hr/> \$71,425

The secretary was excused from reading the minutes of the morning session. A motion to adjourn prevailed.

The hymn "Nearer My God to Thee," was sung and prayer offered by Mrs. Keen and Mrs. Huston, after which the doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by Rev. Dr. Brady, of Worcester.

MRS. J. T. GRACEY, *Secretary*.

October 31, 1900.

Worcester, Mass.

GIFTS TO THE Evangel-ine Perpetual Bible-woman's Fund.

THROUGH THE NEW YORK BRANCH.

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Fifty dollars interest to be paid annually on each one thousand dollars invested, to maintain in perpetuity the following Bible-women.

By Angeline Ensign Newman in memory of her

Father —Rev. Datus Ensign, for Bible-woman Mary, in Buenos Ayres, South America.

Mother —Mary Winegar Ensign, for Bible-woman Mary, in Montevideo, South America.

Sisters —Mary A. Ensign Campbell, for Bible-woman Anna, in Mexico City.

—Adria Eliza Ensign, for Bible-woman Adria, in Pachuca, Mexico.

Brothers—John Wesley Ensign, for Bible-woman Mary, in Pithoragarh, India.

—William Fletcher Ensign, for Bible-woman Mary, in Pithoragarh, India.

—Hiram Asbury Ensign, for Bible-woman Mary, in Chandag, India.

—Benson Coke Ensign, for Bible-woman Sarah Gill, in Paori, India.

One thousand dollars—Gifts to Mrs. Newman for a home for returned missionaries at Round Lake, afterwards converted to this fund by consent of donors, in honor of Mrs. Pruda D. Harwood, for Bible-woman Nora Gill in Naini Tal, India.

To all to whom these presents may come and whom it may concern :

WHEREAS, Mrs. Angeline Ensign Newman has paid over to the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist

Episcopal Church the sum of seven thousand dollars in seven installments of one thousand dollars each up to date, upon the understanding and agreement hereinafter expressed:

Now, therefore, know ye that the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in consideration of the payment of said sums of money above recited, has agreed and doth hereby agree to and with Mrs. Angeline Ensign Newman and any other person or persons who shall contribute a sum of one thousand dollars for the purpose hereinafter stated, that for each sum of one thousand dollars heretofore paid by Mrs. Angeline Ensign Newman as aforesaid, or hereafter to be paid to the Society by her, or by any other person or persons for the like purpose, the said Society will hold an invested permanent fund of one thousand dollars, and will ever hereafter apply the income thereof, at the rate of five per cent. per annum, exclusively to the support of a converted native Bible-woman in such mission field as may be deemed advisable by said Society, and who shall be employed to read the Holy Scriptures in the native language of the country where such Bible-woman may reside, for at least three hours in each day to women and children of that country, in their homes or wherever found, who will listen to the reading of the Bible.

In witness whereof these presents have been subscribed by the members of the Executive Committee of said Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church at a meeting of said Committee, held at Cincinnati, O., on the 20th day of May, 1897.

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C Malinda
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Lockwood

L Emily
(Ensign)
Smith

Rev. Bishop JOHN PHILIP
By Mrs. EV-ANGELINE

"And Samuel took a stone, and set it
it Eben-ezer, saying, Hitherto hath

NEWMAN. D.D., LL.D.,
(ENSIGN) NEWMAN.

between Mizpeh and Shen, and called
the LORD helped us."—1 Samuel 7: 12.



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